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COMMENT OF THE DAY

Only Half The Story

It may be taken for granted that Moscow's version of the new agreements reached between Russia and Communist China covers but a portion of the negotiations which the Chou En-lai mission has been conducting with the Soviet experts. International observers have been convinced that the Chinese delegates went to Moscow with firm instructions to indulge in some hard bargaining, but this is in no way reflected in the agreements broadcast by the Russian radio. The handing back of the Changchun Railway to the Chinese not later than December 31 of this year merely confirms the 1950 Sino-Soviet pact. Inferentially, Peking's quid pro quo is to permit Soviet military occupation of Port Arthur to continue beyond the deadline set in the 1950 agreement. If this be the full extent of the new agreements reached in Moscow it means that Russia is the only party to have gained anything from the negotiations.

Obviously many more subjects than the future control of the Changchun Railway and the continued presence of Soviet troops in Port Arthur have been covered in the recent talks. A prime preoccupation of the Peking Government is the Korean war, and it is reasonably certain that this figured high on the Moscow agenda. The Peking regime must by now be convinced that the Chinese Communists have nothing to gain and much to lose by continuation of the conflict in Korea unless Russia is prepared openly to enter the arena on the side of the Reds. The probabilities are that the Chinese have extracted from the Soviets assurances concerning the future line of action to be taken in Korea designed to safeguard Peking's interests, and in exchange have made the Port Arthur concession to the Russians. It cannot be expected that either Moscow or Peking will openly announce to the world the precise terms of any agreement over future policy vis-a-vis Korea; it will be necessary to await events to reveal the secret. The Reds' attitude at Pannumjon during the coming weeks should provide an interesting pointer.

Britain's Attitude Allays Council Of Europe Fears

GASPERI WELCOMES EDEN'S SPEECH

Strasbourg, Sept. 16. The "co-operative attitude" of Britain has allayed fears of a crisis in the Council of Europe, the Italian Prime Minister, Signor Alcide de Gasperi, told the 15-nation Council today.

The Italian Premier welcomed the speech by the British Foreign Secretary, Mr Anthony Eden, last night as confirming "the British desire to collaborate in the work to which we have devoted ourselves."

He said Mr Eden's speech showed on the part of Britain "a direct and favourable interest in European unity developments and the desire to associate herself with it in a form compatible with her extra European ties."

The speeches by Mr Eden and Signor de Gasperi were seen here tonight as foreshadowing new strength for the Council of Europe as the result of the creation of such supra-national bodies as the Schuman Coal-Steel Assembly.

De Gasperi was inaugurating a two-day debate in the Council on moves towards closer political unity in Europe.

Mr Eden had set the tone of the discussions last night in a speech in which he warned that failure to preserve harmony would be dangerous for Europe and might lead to disunity.

After the two Foreign Ministers—Signor de Gasperi is Italian Foreign Minister as well as Premier—had spoken, members of the Council's 132-strong Consultative Assembly began to take the floor late this afternoon.

Immediate background to their debate was the threat of cleavage between the "inner six" nations in the Schuman community—France, West Germany, Italy and the three Benelux countries—and the remaining nine members of the Council of Europe.

But one of the first speakers—40-year-old Mlle. Margaretha Klompé, of the Netherlands Lower House—quickly fore-shadowed increased responsibility for the Council of Europe as a result of the "inner-six's" decision to lay the groundwork of a political federation with supra-national powers.

WELL PLEASED

Mr Eden, who entered the assembly hall uninvited towards the end of tonight's session, was reported well pleased with their reception given to his plan to link the "six" with the other members of the European Council.

Problems facing the projected federation were highlighted by an expert report circulated today from a panel of six university professors, who advised that clear decisions must be

Women Join Army



A girl member of the FDJ (Free German Youth) receives instruction in the use of the rifle. She is one of many who has answered the call to women to join the Army from the recently appointed Minister of People's Education in the East Zone of Germany—Fray Else Zaisser, wife of the State Security Minister in the East Zone Government.—London Express.

Reorganisation Of Wafd Party TOP-TO-BOTTOM SHUFFLE

Cairo, Sept. 16. The Wafd Parliamentary group today approved proposals for far-reaching Party reorganisation—the first top-to-bottom shuffle since the Wafd was established by the revolutionary Saad Zaghloul in 1918.

Reorganisation, demanded of all Parties by the strong-man Premier, Mohammed Naguib, came in the wake of dissolution of the Wafd's ten-member Executive Committee which met in Alexandria to follow through on General Naguib's order.

After it dissolved itself, Committeemen in the capacity of a founding body drew up a set of suggestions which the Parliamentary bloc ratified.

The Party said the revised set-up would be submitted to the Interior Minister, Soliman Hafez, for approval. Then it will be published.

Mustapha Nahas, ex-Premier and leader of the Wafd since the death of Zaghloul, announced that members of the Parliamentary group and other Egyptian citizens who wished to join up under the new system must apply to the acting secretary, Ibrahim Farag, within a week.

He said the founding group would pass the applications. Those accepted, along with the founders, will comprise the Wafd General Assembly. This latter organisation will elect an Executive Committee as soon as Hafez gives the nod.

THE NEW LAW

Gunfight In Subway

New York, Sept. 16. Gunfire echoed through the darkness of a Manhattan subway tunnel during the rush hour today when police fought a running battle with a burly negro, who had fled down the tracks after molesting two women on the station platform.

All inter-borough rapid-transit trains travelling from the Bronx to Brooklyn by way of Times Square were halted during the 40-minute battle.

The police finally gave up after the fugitive apparently escaped through an emergency exit.

A bullet pierced one policeman's hat and another officer narrowly escaped being shot as he followed the man into the tunnel. The police said they might have wounded the hunted man.—United Press.

Miraculous Escapes In Typhoon

Wake Island, Sept. 17. Wake Island's 750 inhabitants miraculously escaped serious injury yesterday when a 148-mph typhoon, accompanied by mountainous waves, flattened nearly every building on the island.

The violent storm, which left the tiny Pacific island covered with water, destroyed 90 per cent of the island's facilities. The Navy said. Residents, including many women and children, took refuge in trenches, foxholes and grounded aeroplanes when the typhoon, named Olive, slammed into the island.

Later they huddled in the concrete radio buildings, the only structures that survived the storm. The Navy said only two persons were injured. Two Military Air Transport Service navigators were hurt, one suffering a wrenched arm and the other a broken rib.

EVACUATION

The first of seven rescue planes landed at Wake today (Wednesday) to begin evacuation of 500 island residents, including 75 women and children. A PB3M from Kwajalein still brought sorely-needed food, water, medical supplies and blankets.

Six other planes, five from Hawaii and one from Kwajalein, capable of evacuating about 275 persons, were en route to Wake. Military and Pan American planes stood by in Honolulu to bring out the rest of the 500 persons whose services are not needed in an emergency.

Most of the evacuees will be brought to Honolulu, although 125 Filipino labourers may be transferred to Guam, the Navy said.

Communications with Wake were disrupted for 10 hours when the power station and radio antennae were knocked out by typhoon winds.—United Press.

Bomb Fails To Explode

Beirut, Sept. 16. A bomb, which did not explode, was thrown near the house of Lebanon's President Bechara El-Khoury today, the second day of the general strike called by opposition parties to support their demand for reform.

Armed police continued to guard the streets and searched all cars coming into Beirut.

Meanwhile the Prime Minister has taken up consultations with his three-man emergency Cabinet, formed last Sunday, on the formation of a new Cabinet and has launched his own reform campaign.—Associated Press.

Mossadegh's Suspected Ulterior Design

London, Sept. 16. A desire to deal solely with the United States was believed here today to be a possible motive for Persia's threat to break off diplomatic relations with Britain, made by Persian Premier Mossadegh in the Majlis.

Dr Mossadegh told the Persian lower house earlier today he was prepared to break relations with Britain to vindicate Persia's rights as he described the Anglo-American offer "totally unacceptable."

While regretting such a breach if it materialised, observers said a formal rupture would only mean the conclusion of a process of estrangement which had been in progress since the Persian Government closed all British Consulates in Persia outside Teheran and recalled the Persian Ambassador to Britain.

In the event of a break, the United States would presumably be charged with the care of local British interests.

But the severance of relations, it was thought, could scarcely advance the cause of a settlement with Britain, since the latest British proposal for a settlement was submitted jointly with the United States.

Official quarters here said Britain was unlikely to buy off a breach if the price amounted to the terms listed in Teheran, including payment by the Anglo-Iranian Oil Company of \$249,000,000 "which it owes Persia."

The claim has created a very unfavourable first impression in British official circles.

According to the Anglo-Iranian Oil Company, the \$249,000,000 is the sum earmarked for immediate payment to the Persian Government had the 1940 supplemental oil agreement between Persia and the Company come into force.

But "since Persia refused to ratify the agreement," the British authorities do not admit any liability to pay the sum in question.—Reuter.

AMERICAN REACTION

Washington, Sept. 16. The Persian Premier's terms agreeing to submit oil compensation claims to the World Court were interpreted here as outright rejection of the Truman-Churchill proposals to settle the dispute.

Officials and diplomatic quarters took an extremely pessimistic view of the statement which Dr Mossadegh gave to the Majlis today.

The officials said they had "looked hard" for a hint of compromise but found none. The State Department was disappointed that the Premier

STUDENTS' SIT IN STRIKE

Stuttgart, Sept. 16. About 50 Persian students are staging a sit in strike in the Consulate-General here in protest against Persian Government measures depriving them of funds to continue studies in West Germany.

News of the strike, which has been going on for a week, was disclosed only tonight.

The building also temporarily houses the Persian Embassy, which is soon to move to Bonn, or to the nearby Cologne area.

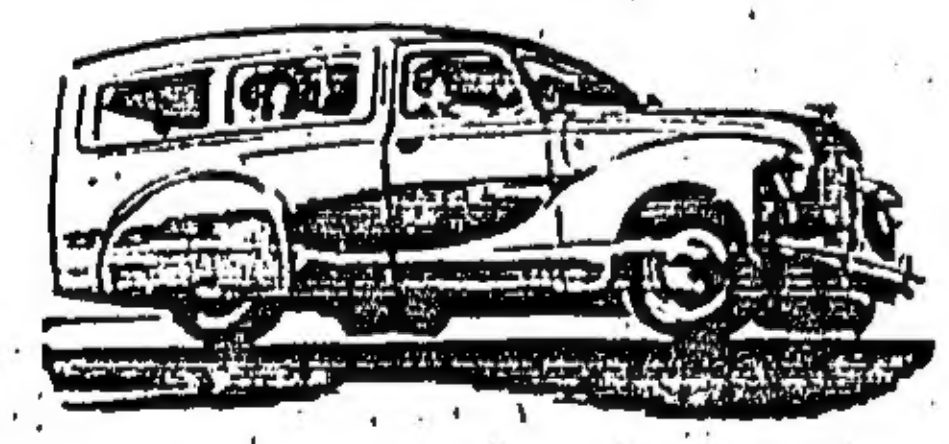
The students, delegates of about 600 Persians at German Universities, entered the building about a week ago and refused to leave it. They are sleeping in corridors and on couches in office rooms. They are being fed by the Consulate-General.

German police guards have been stationed inside the building. The extra-territorial area of the Consulate is also being guarded by Germans.

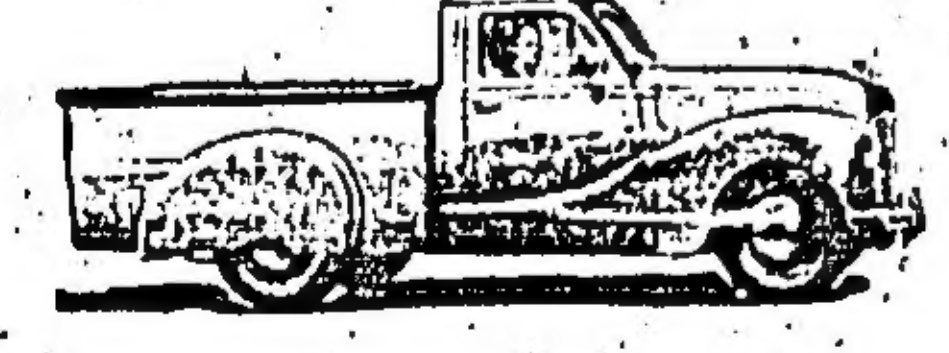
A usually reliable source said the students had been recalled to Persia recently because of Persia's lack of foreign currency. The students, however, wanted to finish their studies.

The Persian Ambassador was expected to return to Stuttgart tonight with a plan to settle the dispute, the source said. It was not known where he had gone.—Reuter.

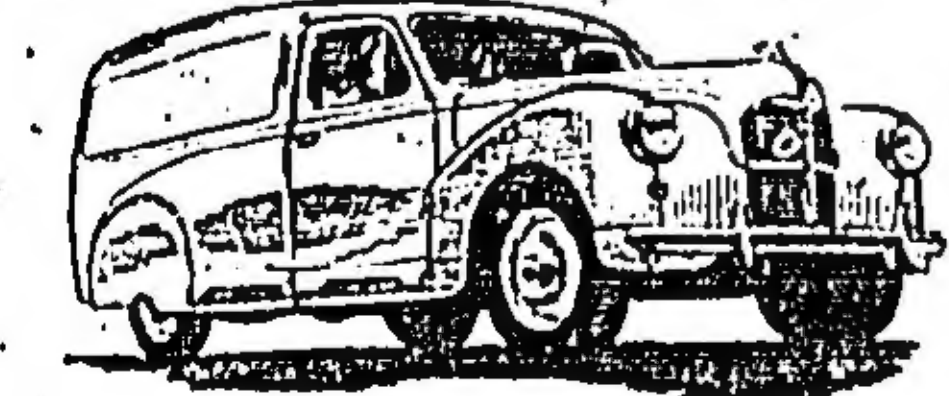
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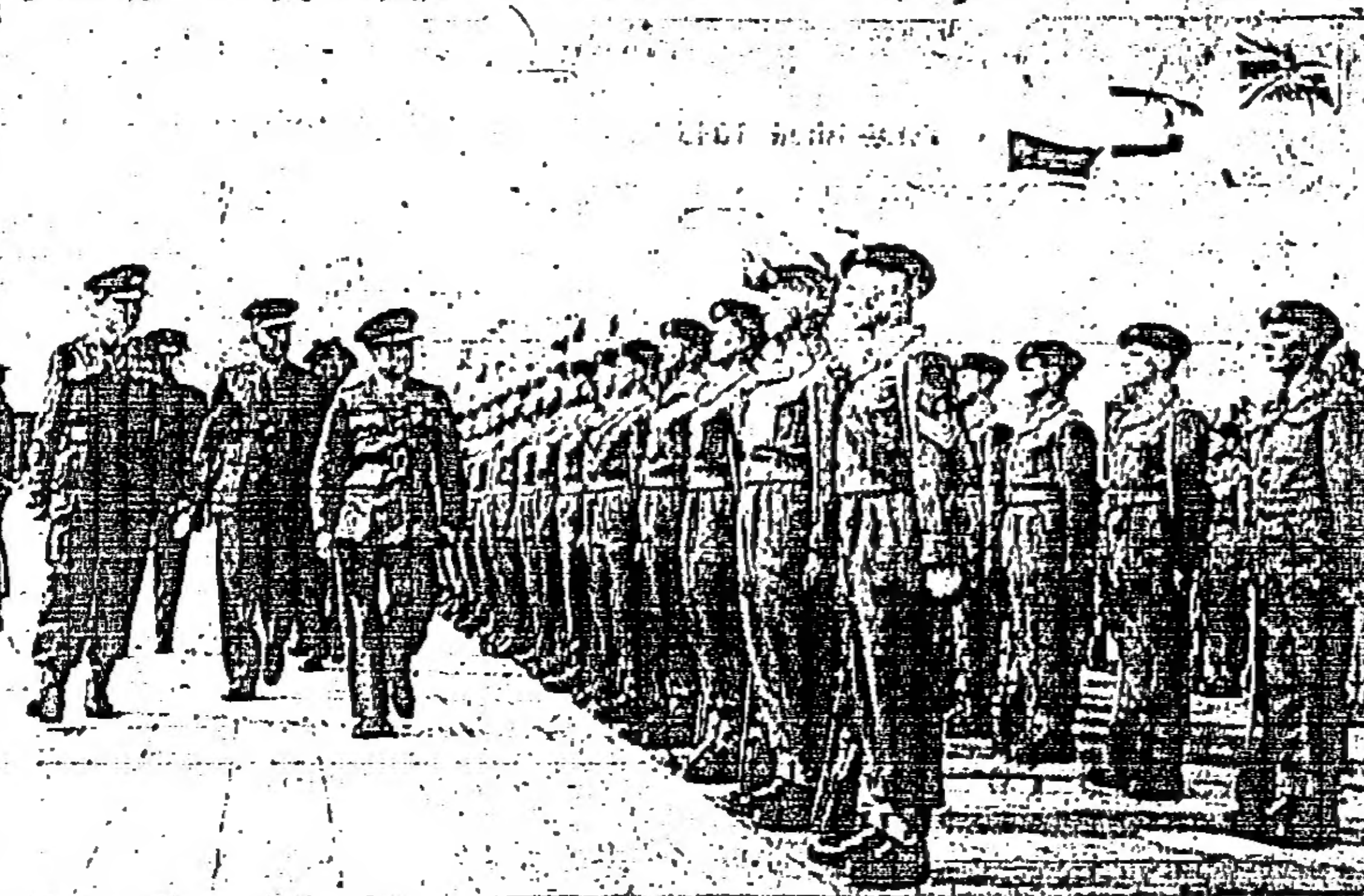
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General Sir John Harding, retiring Commander-in-Chief of the British Army of the Rhine, and newly appointed Chief of the Imperial General Staff, reviews a parade of over 800 British troops during a farewell visit to Berlin.—Express Photo.

Rejection By "Big Four" Of Russian Terms

London, Sept. 16. The United States, Britain and France today completed the draft of a note rejecting Russia's terms for a Big Four conference on Germany's future. The draft is being sent to Moscow, where the Allied High Commission will lay it before Chancellor Konrad Adenauer. Then it will be shown to other member governments of the Atlantic Pact. The expectation here is that it will be delivered in Moscow by the end of the month. Russia had called for a meeting by October 2 to discuss a peace treaty for a reunited Germany, formation of a united German government and arrangements for Germany-wide elections. The Western powers have agreed to tell the Soviets that free Germany-wide elections must come before either the formation of an All-German government or a German peace treaty.—Associated Press.

ALLEGED WIFE MURDERER

Edinburgh, Sept. 16. Whistling softly as he entered and left the dock at Edinburgh today and appearing unconcerned, George Christie Young of Edinburgh was re-arrested. He was charged with murdering his wife, Andrewina Young, 18, who was found stabbed in the back and body.—Reuter.

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Senator Kefauver Plans To Campaign For Stevenson

New York, Sept. 16. Senator Estes Kefauver, defeated candidate for the Democratic presidential nomination, will campaign for his successful rival, Governor Adlai Stevenson, when he returns from Europe next week.

He told the Democratic National Committee by trans-Atlantic phone: "I want to work vigorously for his election."

Mr Kefauver will open his campaign on October 2 with speeches in Iowa. Then he will tour ten States in most of which he won the Democratic primaries. Meanwhile, Mr Dwight Eisenhower carried his 12-State "whistle stop" campaign into Minnesota today. At Albert Lea a crowd of about 3,000 heard him accuse the Democrats of putting the farmer "in the middle" by conflicting price control and agricultural aid programmes.

Mr Eisenhower will later today fly back to New York, where he will speak to the American Federation of Labour Convention tomorrow. In a message to the Convention today, President Truman said plans were under way to make the Taft-Hartley Law "even more oppressive" to labour if the Republicans win. The Federation is expected to drop its traditional neutrality and support one of the candidates—probably Mr Stevenson, whom it will hear next Monday.

TRUMAN MESSAGE
Today, the Convention heard Mr Averell Harriman, Mutual Security Administrator, introduced as the "next Secretary of State" by Mr William Green, the Federation President.

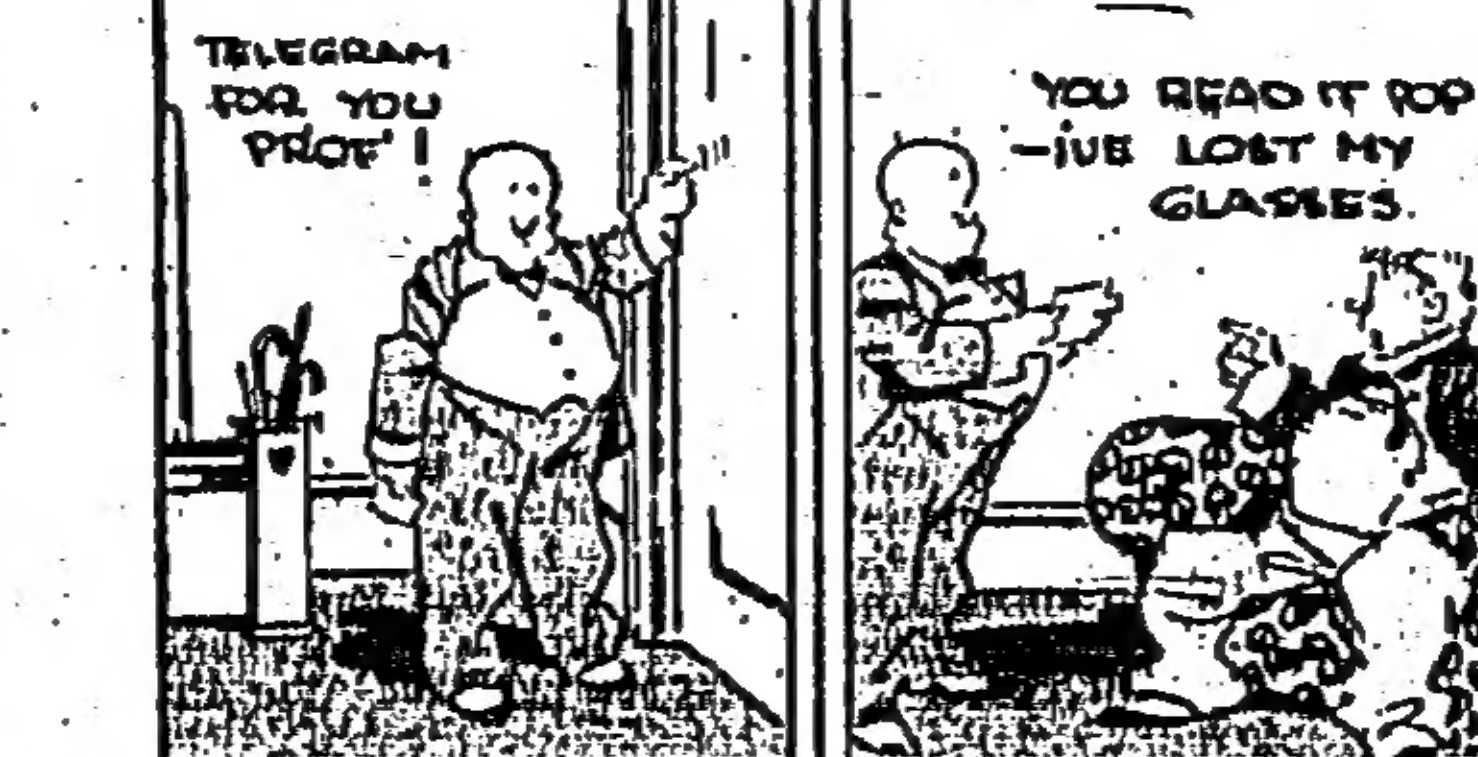
Mr Harriman read the message from President Truman, in which the President reviewed his administration in regard to labour and trade. "We have beaten back the main attacks and we have made ready progress. A definite plot was hatched at the close of the war to smash, or at least to cripple, our trade union movement in a period of post-war reaction."

"This conspiracy was developed by a little group of politicians working with the representatives of our most reactionary employers." A resolution proposing to endorse Mr Stevenson was introduced into the committee on resolutions today.—Reuter.

German Party Banned

Munich, Sept. 16. The Bavarian Government today banned the German Workers Party as Neo-Nazi. It explained that it intended to halt all resurgence of National Socialism, which had brought such misfortune on Germany. The ban was announced by the Interior Minister, Wilhelm Hoegner.—Reuter.

POP



War Games Start In Germany

Gueltern, Sept. 16. The British Defence Minister, Earl Alexander, flew here tonight to visit Allied troops taking part in Exercise Holdfast, a week-long test of four Western armies defending the British zone of Germany.

After being welcomed by General Harding, British Rhine Army Commander, he took off in a helicopter to visit a "battle" headquarters.

Blue and Green Armoured forces are today facing each other across the Weser River. Green—the British 7th Armoured Division—are poised for an assault which will test the Western defences covering the industrial area.

Air forces of both sides are active. Eight hundred aircraft are taking part and the air defences of Holland and Belgium are expected to be tested to the full.—Reuter.

SPANISH WAR GAMES

Madrid, Sept. 16. Spanish troops today began a mock battle against "enemy" troops advancing on the southwestern coast in an attempt to cut communications with the Rock of Gibraltar.

The 22nd Infantry Division deployed to meet the attackers around Marbella and Estopona. Spanish forces in the north have just ended a four-day exercise against an "enemy" which invaded Spain across the Pyrenees.—Reuter.

ARCTIC INCIDENT

Oslo, Sept. 16. An Arctic whale today "sank" the British carrier Eagle in a lightning "dawn attack" in the NATO exercise Mainbrace.

The whale had shown up as a long cigar shape on radar screens. Unlucky mistake it for an enemy submarine.

A destroyer reported contact with the "submarine" after a long search. It closed in for the kill and found the innocent whale.—Reuter.

ANOTHER JAP BANK IN LONDON

London, Sept. 16. The opening of a second Japanese bank in London in 16 days brings to a climax the busiest month of Japanese activity here since the end of the war.

Yesterday the Sekoku Tesoku Bank opened its London branch under the management of Mr Koyasu. It is situated in the heart of the City near the Stock Exchange. On September 1 the Bank of Tokyo opened in London.

Japanese visiting London in the past four weeks have included a delegation of aviation experts and a party of Japanese journalists.

The journalists, who were guests at a reception given by the Foreign Office in London last week, are at present studying social conditions in the West of England.

On Sunday a party of over 30 Japanese arrived in London to attend the International textile conference opening here on Wednesday.—Reuter.

Powerful New Insecticide

Atlantic City, Sept. 16. The discovery of an insecticide, described as having three times the potency of DDT against flour beetles, was claimed today by Dr Roland M. Kary of the American Smelting and Refining Company. He made the announcement at the 122nd national meeting of the American Chemical Society in Atlantic City. The insecticide, "Compound A-42," is undergoing extensive field tests in the United States, Europe and New Zealand to determine if it rates general release for agricultural use, Dr Kary said.—Reuter.

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Fight To "Get In First"

Struggle For Oil

(From ERIC GREY)

Rome, Sept. 16. A fight to "get in first" with Premier Mossadegh's National Iranian Oil Company has developed between two rival oil groups centred in Rome.

Group No. 1 is run by Count Ettore D'ella Zucca, the free-enterprising Italian who was the first man to fight the Anglo-Iranian ban by exporting Persian oil. Group No. 2 is headed by a good-looking ash-blond, Sudda Garaguzzi, an adventurous businessman of Egyptian descent who is married to a prominent official of the Shah's court.

Madame, who is 35, began her business career in Cairo during the war manufacturing cosmetics. Then she bought a freighter which plied between Italian and Middle Eastern ports. She spent six months on board once.

Now she is after bigger game. She arrived in Rome a few weeks ago, got a number of Genoa shipowners together and formed a company. "We must have tankers," she explained, but she would have nothing to do with D'ella Zucca, who was also in search of tankers.

PLENTY OF ROOM

Zucca claims that she has no contact with the Persians and describes her as "of no consequence in this business."

To which Madame rejoined, sweetly: that there was "plenty of room for everybody" in Persian oil.

Recently Madame told her friends to expect news of "a terrific deal." Then without a word, she picked her bags at the fashionable Excelsior Hotel and took off by plane for Tehran.

What had happened? Count Zucca's American associates, George Waldron and Richard Nelson, had arrived the day before in Iran with oil tanker broker Roy Carter ready to "pledge ships" to the Persians on behalf of important owners. They attended a full-dress conference with Mossadegh and Mr. Alton Jones and Madame has no ships.—London Express Service.

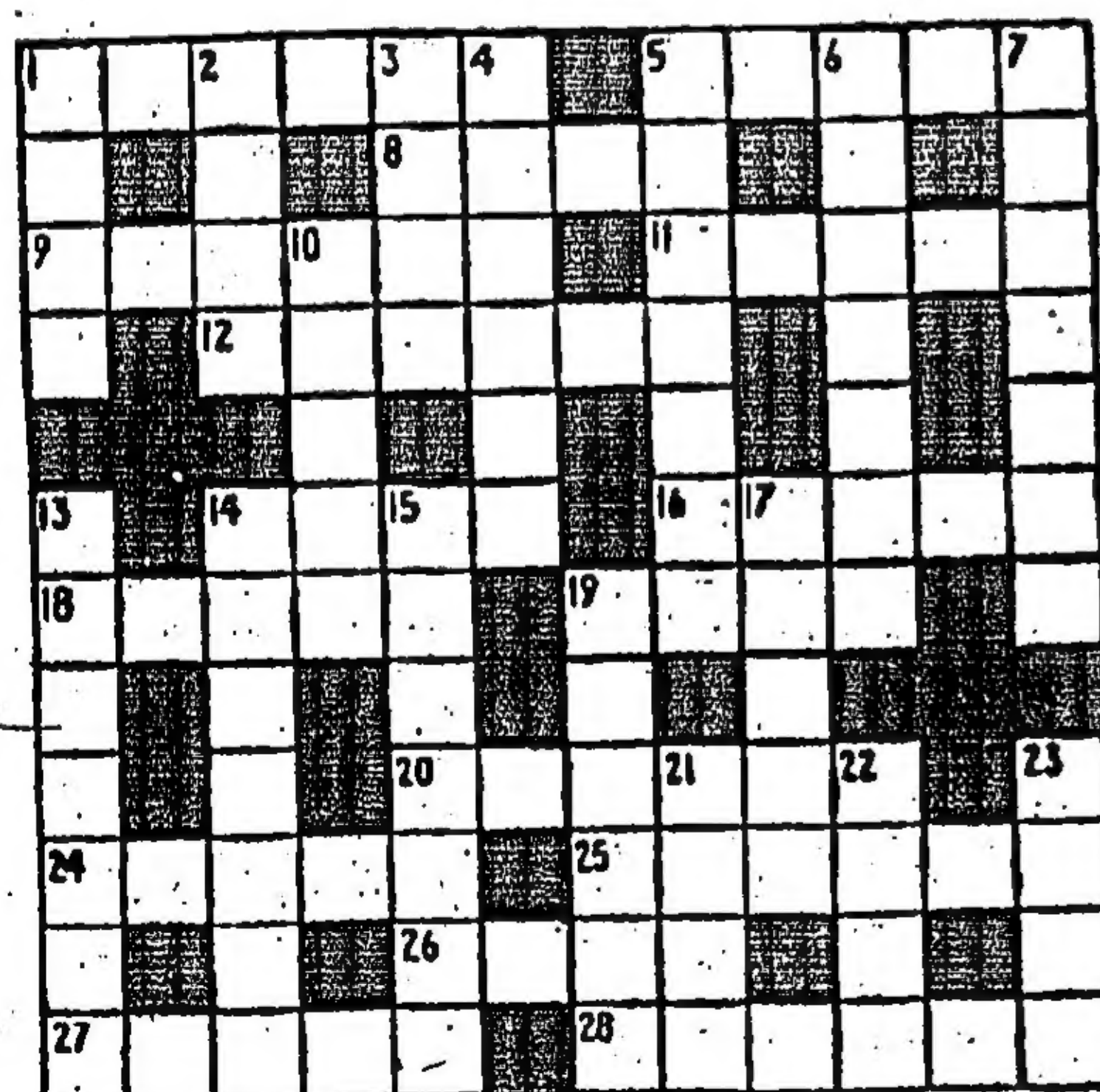
RESIGNATION OF MINISTER

Vienna, Sept. 16. Dr. Otto Tschadek, Austria's Socialist Justice Minister, resigned today and was replaced by Dr. Josef Gerstl, non-party President of the Supreme Provincial Court.

Dr. Gerstl was Minister of Justice from 1945 to 1949.

Dr. Tschadek told his party that he wanted to make way for a non-party Minister, as important cases involving political clans would shortly come before the courts.—Reuter.

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

- 1 Make hostile inroad (6).
- 5 Foolish (5).
- 8 Before long (4).
- 9 Timorous (4).
- 11 Indeterminate (5).
- 12 Take for granted (6).
- 14 Ancestor (4).
- 16 Material (5).
- 19 Points made (5).
- 20 Meadows (4).
- 21 Ship's boat (6).
- 24 Farewell (5).
- 25 Container for soup (6).
- 26 Flat (4).
- 27 Incited (5).
- 28 Do sorry (5).

DOWN

- 1 Russian name (4).
- 2 ... and a girl's name (4).
- 3 Platform (4).
- 4 Tolerant (6).
- 6 Opposite (7).
- 8 Fishermen (7).
- 7 Chosen by vote (7).
- 10 On the move (5).
- 13 Set apart (7).
- 14 Weeping convulsively (7).
- 15 Saved (7).
- 17 Aged (5).
- 19 Brood (6).
- 21 Melody (4).
- 23 Bring up (4).
- 25 Join closely (4).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD.—Across: 1 Baton, 4 Prison, 8 Swarms, 10 Spies, 12 Appeal, 14 Mander, 17 Sole, 19 Central, 20 Assail, 22 Seal, 23 Rattle, 27 Relent, 28 Abode, 30 Torpor, 31 Legend, 32 Lolls. Down: 1 Besom, 2 Tiana, 3 Nomad, 5 Ruse, 6 Sailor, 7 Dispel, 9 Spectre, 11 Pastel, 13 Present, 15 Ease, 16 Nailed, 18 Lays, 20 Assail, 21 Sprong, 24 Atoll, 25 Impel, 26 Earn, 28 Leap.

British Speculation Over Future Relations With Egypt

London, Sept. 16.

British Ministers today, nearly a year after the denunciation of the Anglo-Egyptian Friendship Treaty of 1936 by the then Wafd Government of Egypt, are anxiously studying the possibility of an understanding with Egypt's new Prime Minister and Military Governor — General Mohamed Naguib.

First estimates in London of the impact of General Naguib's Government on Anglo-Egyptian relations have been cautious.

Since he first became a dominant influence in Egyptian life after his military coup d'etat in July and the subsequent abdication of King Farouk, General Naguib has exercised considerable restraint in his comments on Anglo-Egyptian relations.

DR. MALAN GETTING IMPATIENT

Capetown, Sept. 16. The South African Prime Minister, Dr. Daniel Malan, said today that South Africa was getting impatient about the protectorates issue.

"It is intolerable that the Union should have inside its own borders territories under the control of another power. That is an invasion of our sovereignty and freedom," he told the Cape Congress of the National Party, meeting at Strand, near Capetown.

Dr. Malan was referring to the question of the incorporation of the British Protectorates of Bechuanaland, Swaziland, and Basutoland.

The incorporation of the protectorates would be made an issue at the next general election, he stated.

Dr. Malan said: "It is easy for the British Government to say no to a Prime Minister, but it is very much more difficult for them to say no to a parliament or a dominion." In his view every candidate at the next election should be asked whether he would support a parliamentary petition to the British Government, he added.—Reuter.

Scientists To Confer

The Hague, Sept. 16. The European Council for Nuclear Research will hold a session in Amsterdam from October 4 to October 6 to choose the location of the projected European Nuclear Research Laboratory.

Several countries, including France, the Netherlands, Switzerland, and Denmark, have already offered sites.—France-Press.

Unhappy End Of A Ballet

Geneva, Sept. 16. Fifteen disconsolate Spanish dancers, boy and girl members of the "Ballet Madrid" are tonight on their way home to Spain, after a sudden end to their show.

The ballet appeared in Geneva and Montreux but came to a stop in Lausanne, and on Saturday a dozen girls and four boys came to Geneva in a body, told the Spanish Consul-General that they had no money and wanted to be sent home. He sent the girls to a Catholic home and found a place for the boys to stay.

"They had no money" to pay for their lodgings, a Spanish official said today.

The unhappy dancers appeared today at Geneva police station. The Premiere Danseuse, who owns the show, had complained to the police that they had taken with them when they left, all their stage clothes which belonged to her.

Bugs full of stage costumes in gaudy colours with hats and shoes and ballet slippers were brought into the police station and examined.

Later the dancers left by train for Madrid.—Reuter.

British Scientists' Success

London, Sept. 16.

Two British scientists have developed a new method of storing bull semen, which has enabled it to be successfully used for artificial insemination after seven months and which theoretically could be used to keep it indefinitely.

Previously, bull semen could be kept only three days by a deep-freeze method. The new method, the result of experiments by Dr. C. Polge of the Medical Research Council and Mr. Rowson, director of the Cambridge Artificial Insemination Centre, also uses the deep-freeze principle.

But a diluent containing glycerol is added to the semen before it is slowly frozen to minus 107° F. This has been found to prevent damage to the spermatozoa, which are otherwise killed by the freezing.

The first calf to be born as a result of insemination using this method of storing bull semen was born early this month and is normal.

Using the new technique, semen from famous English bull stock could be sent to anywhere in the world, and if necessary stored.—Reuter.

General Naguib's appeal to the Egyptian people has been on the platform of internal reforms, particularly on the twin issues of land reform and the purge of corruption.

EXTREMIST INFLUENCE

In all this there has been much cause for satisfaction among all these Western countries which seriously hope for better relations with Egypt in the future and which believe that Egypt must always be the keystone in any plan for the defence of the Middle East.

The note of caution which General Naguib's assumption of supreme power in September introduced into British thinking was due fundamentally to the unverified fear that he was being pushed on by extremist elements of which he might not be in full control.

General Naguib came to power in Egypt on a programme of reform, not as the Wafd came to power a year ago on an anti-British campaign.

He has made it impossible for any Egyptian party to shelve reform of widespread corruption by awakening, and then promising to satisfy, a popular clamour against the presence of British troops in the Canal Zone.

Reform and social progress are now issues which have been brought squarely before the Egyptian public. But it is recognised here that foreign policy issues cannot for ever be pushed into the background. Some time or other the relationship of the new Egypt to Britain, to the West and to the Middle East Command proposals will have to be clarified.

VITAL QUESTIONS

The attitude to these questions which will be taken after Egypt has passed through the social revolution on whose brink the Government now stands, will depend, it is thought, here, not only on General Naguib, if he is still in power, but on these two other vital questions:

1. The standpoint of his chief supporters at that time.
2. The stability of the country as a whole.

The fact that has recently disquieted opinion in London, where hopes of a long-term understanding with Egypt have recently revived a little, is the inclusion of known extremists in General Naguib's first Cabinet.

If it is true that the pace and scale of land reform is being dictated by extremist backers, their influence may also dictate the subsequent decisions of foreign policy questions.

ANTI-WESTERN

It is the general belief here that some members of General Naguib's team are committed to a fully anti-Western standpoint on foreign affairs as in the Wafd.

A further cause for anxiety is considered here to be the possibility that over-precipitate land reform may undermine the economic structure of the country.

If these fears do not materialise, British Ministers will hope for an opportunity to review the offer to make Egypt a founder member of an International Middle East Command, which has never been withdrawn.

When a pressing domestic issue has been tackled by General Naguib's new administration.—Reuter.

Banana Cargo Goes Bad

Avonmouth, Sept. 16.

Twenty truckloads of rotting bananas left Avonmouth docks today after it had been found that a cargo of 65,000 stems in a Norwegian freighter had gone bad.

Barges are taking tons more of the fruit away from the ship to dump it at sea.

Part of the cargo not over-ripe is being salvaged and dock workers have applied to the Ministry of Food for permission to take away bananas which are edible though not fit to go to the wholesalers.

Today it is almost impossible to walk along the quayside because of the litter of slimy and sticky-smelling bananas.—Reuter.

International Council Of Women



Egypt's leading suffragette, Mrs. Doria Shafik, attended the opening of the International Council for Women at Reading University. Mrs. Shafik, 34-year-old wife of a successful Cairo lawyer, founded the Daughters of the Nile three years ago to campaign for women's vote. Mrs. Doria Shafik (right) is seen here at the meeting with Miss Gisela Shaw (Argentina) on left and Miss Duchene, of Belgium. — Express Photo.

Indian Effort May Be World Turning Point

New York, Sept. 16.

Success or failure of India and other Asian countries to create an alternative to Communism in Asia might mark "one of those historic turning points which determine the flow of events for many generations."

So says Mr. Chester Bowles, United States Ambassador to India, in an article published here today.

Writing in "Foreign Affairs," a quarterly published by the influential Council on Foreign Relations, Mr. Bowles said: "For the visitor who looks below the surface there is a new and immensely exciting India—a five-year-old democracy of 300,000,000 people, working earnestly and with considerable success to solve their country's staggering problems."

"The outcome of this great Indian effort will profoundly affect the world in which we live."

"Indeed, the success or failure of the effort being made in India and other Asian countries to create an alternative to Communism in Asia may mark one of those historic turning points which determine the flow of events for many generations."

The challenge to the West, said Mr. Bowles, was to reaffirm what is best in our long liberal tradition. Sympathetic, intelligent and patient policies would enable the West to work with most Asiatic nations on a basis of mutual respect and understanding.

EXAMPLE NEEDED

"By shirking the task of understanding Asia, and by refusing to recognise the realities of 1952, the West will surely alienate a vast continent and may eventually bring about its own downfall," he said.

Mr. Bowles said the "revolutionary challenge" of "ruthless Communist dictatorship" in China could be met over the years only by the example of other Asians able to demonstrate unambiguously that Democracy guaranteed individuals rights and provided the

German Action Under Fire

Karachi, Sept. 16.

The President of the Muslim People's Organisation, Mr. Chaudhri Khaliquzzaman, said today that West Germany's offer to pay reparations to Israel was meant only to prop up the tottering economy of Israel.

He described the Arab League's decision to send a delegation to Bonn as "much needed and timely."

He said: "The reason advanced for the payment of the huge sum is only a cover to dupe the Moslem world."

The Muslim People's Organisation, he said, "sincerely expects that West Germany will not try to wound the feelings of the Moslems by this gratuitous offer of help to Israel for which no justifiable excuse is possible."—Reuter.

REFUGEE HOPES DAMPED

Cool Reception For UN Scheme

Geneva, Sept. 16.

The United States today damped the hopes of the United Nations High Commission for Refugees that she would support large-scale "economic integration" schemes, particularly in Germany, Austria and Greece.

(Economic integration is the term used for resettlement of refugees in the countries of their present asylum.)

The American delegate, Mr. Donald Blaisdell, gave his Government's cautious view of suggestions that a new international machinery, possibly working through the World Bank, might be set up to finance such projects.

Speaking at the second session of the High Commissioner's Advisory Committee for Refugees, Mr. Blaisdell said the large amounts of capital needed would be available only in very limited quantities for projects such as those outlined by the High Commissioner. He recalled that the United States already gives economic aid on a large scale to these countries.

The High Commissioner replied with a renewed plea that delegates to the 16-State Advisory Committee should try to interest their governments in an approach to the World Bank. The World Bank has twice rejected direct proposals from the High Commissioner, maintaining that the problem is essentially humanitarian and social and not economic.

BEST SOLUTION

He repeated his contention that, as migration possibilities decreased, economic integration of refugees was the best solution if the actual government was aided internationally.

He said there were nearly 400,000 refugees who could be absorbed into national economies if they received the financial means to establish themselves, about 125,000 in Germany, 22,000 in Austria, 8,000 in Greece and 10,000 in Italy.

The High Commissioner said that about 120,000 refugees were still living in camps in Europe, and that not more than five or 10 per cent of the 400,000 total would have a chance to emigrate.

He believed that international aid should take the form of loans and not grants, since experience had shown the ability of the refugee to repay, once he was settled.

Both the Austrian and German delegates supported the High Commissioner in his opinion that economic integration would be an effective solution with international backing.—Reuter.

British Oil For Israel

London, Sept. 16.

Israel will get oil from Britain until 1954 and pay for it with money promised by Western Germany as compensation for crimes against the Jews, the Israeli delegation announced last night.

Israel last week signed an agreement with the West German Chancellor, under which Western Germany will pay her £30,000,000 as compensation for Nazi persecution. Part of this money will be used to buy oil for Israel from British companies.—Reuter.

DOG WHO KNEW THE FEW HATES JETS

He will miss the airfield show

When Hornchurch (Essex) RAF Station is opened to the public on Battle of Britain Day—September 20—visitors are not likely to see the one member of the station's staff in 1940 who is still there.

This is Binder, a dog of uncertain ancestry. For 12 years he has lived on the station, but has not been singled to these new-fangled jet things, and in any case, he is now not very keen on meeting new people. So the probability is that he will keep out of the way until it is all over.

In 1940 Binder, then a puppy, was brought to Hornchurch by a young pilot officer named Finucane. Brendon "Paddy" Finucane. Life for Binder was exciting in those days. When the squadrons were on the ground, endless games of football were played near the dispersed Spitfires. There was always some pilot ready to throw a ball for Binder.

When the "scramble" order came, Binder chased behind the racing aircraft. When the Spitfires returned, he had a greeting for all, and a special one for Paddy Finucane.

But in the summer of 1942 Paddy Finucane, while commander and holder of the DSO and triple DFC, failed to return from a sweep over France. In his short flying life he had destroyed 25 enemy aircraft.

No one has replaced Paddy Finucane in Binder's affections. He has been given the official status of station mascot, but he lives nowhere in particular, and is nobody's special friend. Most of the day he just sleeps in a quiet corner.

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Association.To the "big, straightforward
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To the Dean of
Canterbury.
London Express ServiceSIR HUGH DRAWS UP A LIST
FOR THE CORONATION

London. Perhaps it is fairer to say that the job is being done by two married couples, with Casson as the leading spirit. His design-assistants are Peter Miller (28), architect, and Miller's wife Sheila (24), who finished training as a graphic designer two months ago. He has a third-help in Lady Casson, who, like her husband, is a practising architect.

Sir Hugh Casson fingered them appraisingly: "Contractors' samples," he explained. They have been sent to his office in the hope that he will buy them by the gross to hang up on the Coronation route.

For three years from 1948 Casson was director of architecture to the Festival of Britain. Working to a confidential advance estimate which cannot be much less than £100,000, he is now designing and co-ordinating Coronation decorations for the City of Westminster, which takes in most of the six-mile procession route to and from the Abbey.

Already the team has produced 200 sketches of route and off-route projects from triumphal arches downward. Worked up into sets of alternative perspective designs, these have to be lodged with Westminster Council before the end of this month, then discussed with other designers, including those of the Ministry of Works, who are

responsible for such sites as The Mall, Trafalgar Square and Parliament Square.

For the time being Casson's detailed proposals are on the secret list. One thing is already beginning to emerge, however. On Coronation Day there may be touches of sprightly innovation down side streets. But the Coronation route itself will discreetly echo the past, with tradition as the keynote.

"The Coronation," says Casson, "is above all things a national and religious ceremony. On the procession route 'exhibition' antics would be out of place. Royal ciphers and coats-of-arms inevitably enter into the decorative scheme. You cannot monkey about with the design of such things even if you

want to. My aim is to be gay, elegant and light-hearted without being facetious; dignified without being pompous."

Casson has been designing ephemeral, mainly for exhibitions, trade fairs and the like, ever since the war. At 42 he is typical of architecture's frustrated generation. "As an architect I have built practically nothing," he regrets.

Soon after he qualified his father received £1,500 under somebody's will. He said affably to Hugh: "Would you like to buy yourself into a practice? Or go to Honolulu for fun? Or build a house and sell it?" Casson chose to build a house because as he says, the only way of becoming a real architect is to put something up as soon as you can "and see what goes wrong."

by FRANCIS MARTIN

emotion recollected in tranquillity. I permitted myself a prurient about the Dome and the Skylon. "You didn't have to like them," said Casson equably.

He and his partner, Neville Conder, have an office in Old Brompton Road with five assistants and a secretary.

As in the 'thirties, he depends in part on sideline, bigger and better sidelines. He has a salaried post as Reader in Interior Design at the Royal College of Art. Most of the interior design commissions that come his way privately are of the gilt-edged sort. He finds time, how I cannot imagine, for writing, broadcasting and miscellaneous drawing as well.

These are things which help pay for the family car, a 1927 Rolls, and the upbringing of the little Casson girls, Nicola (11), Nicola (9) and Dinah (6).

Since the war the Casson ménage, six including governess, have lived in a three-storey, 1840-ish house off Kensington Church Street with fetching grey and white paint on its stucco.

At week-ends mother and father do professional work in one leg of the L-shaped sitting-room, where each has an architect's desk. One desk is noticeably nicer than the other. There are amiable squabbles as to who shall use it.

In a week or two the Cassons move to a nine-roomed house in red brick at Kensington, not far from Casson's RCA job. The period is 1880-1890, which, Casson feels, is going to be the next bricks-and-mortar fashion, the run on early-Victorian houses being, he considers, about spent itself.

In Kensington the Cassons will have separate work-rooms. Lady Casson has already chosen hers. It is something snug at the top of the house. Who is to have the favourite desk is to be settled by negotiation and treaty.

COOKERY BOOK for men whose
wives are on holiday by—

NATHANIEL GUBBINS

SO far, as I am aware no cookery book has ever been written for chaps who live alone, or chaps whose wives are away on holiday.

This long-felt want will now be satisfied by Uncle Nat's Cook Book, written by that distinguished gourmet whose identity is sometimes thinly disguised under the pseudonym of Mal Manger.

Here are some extracts from the book, to be published shortly by Burp and Hiccup at 18s., or whatever we can get for it.

SARDINES
ON TOAST

Ingredients: Sardines, toast.
Method: Put a slice of bread under the grill. Light gas over grill. Take a tin of sardines, and look for the key.

As most tins of sardines have no key, try the opener. If you miss the tin with your first jab, wrench the opener out of the table and have another go.

If you are lucky you will hit the tin about a quarter of an inch from the edge. If not, you will hit it smack in the middle. As you can't open a tin this way wrench the opener out and try again.

Next time you may hit the tin on the extreme edge and spin it on to the floor. If so, pick it up, try again, and stop using that disgusting language.

By now your toast is in flames, so cut another slice of bread, put it under the grill, and return to your tin.

Unless you were born under an evil star your next jab should hit the tin somewhere between the middle and the edge. If so, saw away until you come to the corner. As you won't be able to negotiate the corner because you are too far from the edge, turn the tin round and start on the other side.

And stop using that disgusting language.

As the top surface of the tin will now be like the plank of nails Indian fakirs sleep on, turn it over and start on the unpunctured surface.

Oil will pour over the table; the tin will be difficult to hold on the slippery wood, your second piece of toast will be in flames.

Cut another slice of bread, put it under the grill, and return to your tin.

Job it, stab it, slash it, bash it, stick it, prick it, kick it, stamp on it, jump on it, and sling it out of the window. And stop using that disgusting language.

SAUSAGES
AND MASH

Ingredients: Sausages, mashed potatoes.
Method: If there are no cold potatoes in the larder, peel some, and boil them.

The best way to boil potatoes is to put them in a saucepan, cover them with cold water, add salt, put the saucepan over a lighted gas-ring, and wait for the water to boil.

You then prod the potatoes with a fork to see if they are hard or soft.

If they are hard, they are not done; if soft, they are; if very soft, overdone.

While the water is coming to the boil, take two alleged pork sausages (or six if you're a glutton for punishment) and prick them all over with a fork. This is supposed to stop them bursting, but it doesn't.

Put the sausages in a frying-pan over another gas ring. As the modern sausages, though full of bread, soya beans, dried milk, paper, string, and small rubber bands, has little fat in it, add a lump of margarine the size of a walnut—or two walnuts if you're fond of the stuff.

As the sausages will burst almost at once, you will soon have a sizzling mess of bread, soya beans, dried milk, paper, string, and sausage skins.

Now take potatoes off the gas, strain, put on a plate, and start mashing with a fork. If the potatoes are all the same size, or if you've had enough gumption to cut the big ones in half, this will be easy, because they will all be cooked evenly. If not, the hard, underdone bits will fly off in all directions.

If you press hard enough with your fork you will break the plate and never hear the last of it.

Add to the potatoes left on the plate a little milk and a lump of margarine the size of a walnut (or the size of a coconut for all I care); mash well, along into the pan and duck... before you are blinded by a shower of boiling fat.

When there is a smell of burning, serve hot to anyone who

will eat it, to any starving dog, or throw out of the window. And stop using that disgusting language.

Paws across the sea

A letter from Manhattan Mouse, American tough cat, to his English sweetheart, Lettie, H IYA Sugar Puss.

To say hello from New York and to thank you for your hospitality last time I was in your home town.

The more I travel, the more I think of England as my second home and the more I understand that everything they say about the English is a lot of hokey.

For one thing they say the chow sticks, but shall I ever forget the jellied leg of rabbit and saucer of Jersey milk you handed me in your kitchen when the folks was out for the evening? No, sister, I certainly won't.

For another, they say the English are stiff-necked and snooty. If taking a guy for a walk on the beach with the harvest moon shining on the sea, and no holds barred, is stiff-necked and snooty, you can call me the Sultan of Zanzibar.

★ ★ ★

All the same, Honey Cat, I must say my eyes popped when I saw the difference in your chassis since the summer of 1951. At that time it was the sweetest little chassis in the English speaking world. Now I would say it is just swell in the way you understand the word.

Over here, in America, we award a dame higher points for her chassis than for anything, including brains, which don't count much on Broadway, even if she has any.

My ex-girl friends Peg Puss and Cutie Cat never had brains for anything except homing in on a free meal, but each had a chassis that would give a guy a temperature high enough to bust a thermometer.

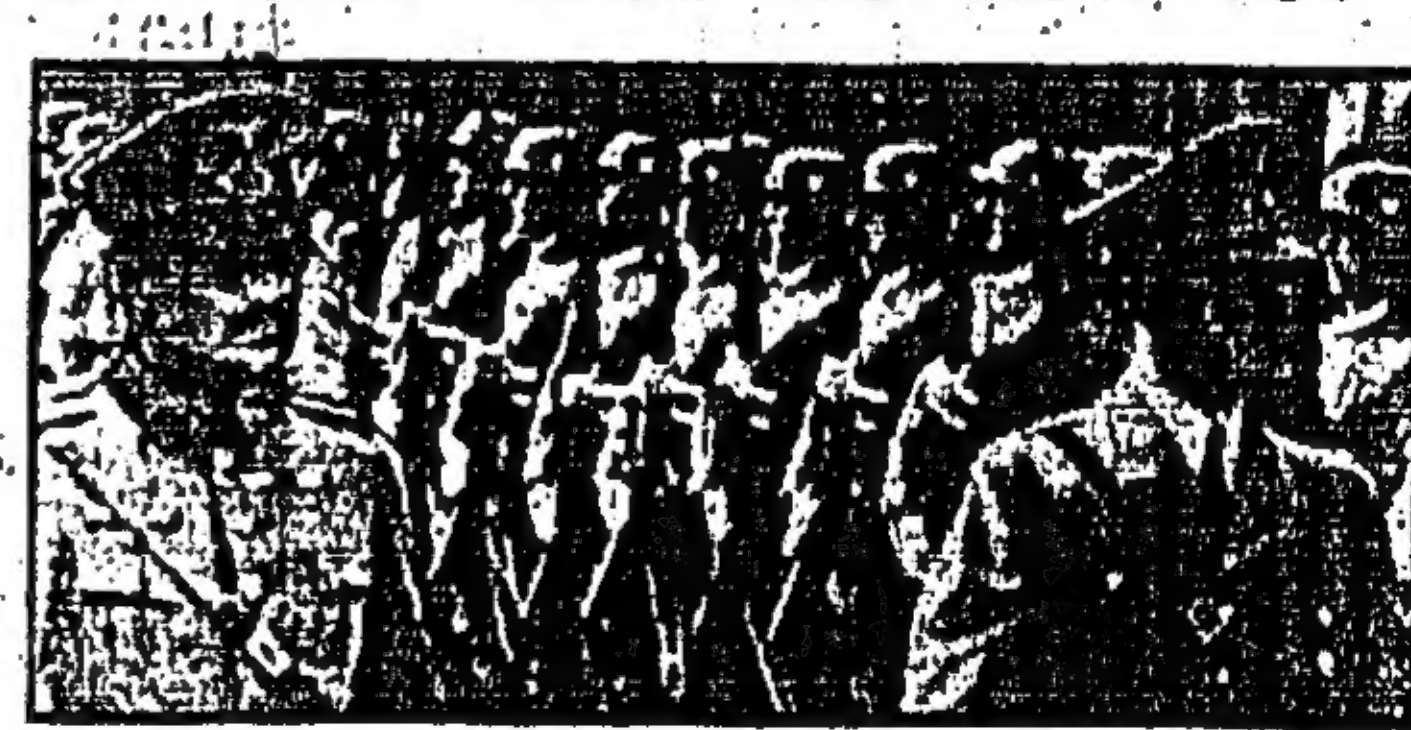
Then they dipped their noses too often into the ash cans for fried chicken leftovers, put on weight, and that's why they're "ex."

So, lay off the hog's helpings of jellied rabbit and Jersey milk, Sugar Puss, if you don't want to be ex-Sugar Puss, ex-Honey Cat, and ex-English sweetheart of yours truly.

Manhattan Mouse.
(London Express Service)

All because
Hitler was having
his afternoon nap

RUNDSTEDT JOINS THE 'HOW YOU WON' CHORUS



HEYDAY PICTURE: Rundstedt with Hitler in 1938.

by THOMAS WILSON

FIELD-MARSHAL GERD VON RUNDSTEDT, Hitler's No. 1 soldier in the West, makes four remarkable assertions:—

1 Hitler's "halt" order to the panzers as they were about to drive the British into the sea at Dunkirk was a purely political decision.

2 Sea Lion, Hitler's much-vaunted plan for the invasion of England, was never intended to be put into action.

3 Hitler's campaigning habit of taking a nap after lunch saved the allied invasion from being cast back into the sea on D+1.

4 Field-Marshal Montgomery was right in urging the

deep narrow thrust from the Seine to the Ruhr. The Germans were in chaos.

Rundstedt tells how Hitler claimed he was not interested in colonies and would help England with the Luftwaffe and Navy if they had difficulties in the world. He sought only German predominance in Europe, while England could have the rest of the world.

Neither Rundstedt nor his staff believed in Sea Lion. "It simply is not true," was their attitude.

In July, when Hitler ordered the preparation of Sea Lion, Göring, fresh from Fuehrer, told Rundstedt that in private conversation Hitler had said he had no intention of carrying out Sea Lion. The pretence was a face-saver after Britain's refusal of Hitler's peace offer.

Two panzer divisions held in strategic reserve near Paris on D Day were despatched by Rundstedt to Normandy about 3

a.m. and recalled by supreme headquarters because Hitler had not given permission.

Rundstedt says he would have had them in the battle area by evening, ready to drive the first waves back into the sea.

All morning and early afternoon Rundstedt's chief of staff telephoned Hitler's headquarters, trying to get permission. But no—the Fuehrer must first decide. He was asleep and nobody dared wake him.

The sleeper awoke between 3 p.m. and 4 p.m.—too late. He gave his permission 12 hours after Rundstedt's original movement order. The Allies had firm bridgeheads before the panzers arrived.

Rundstedt, unaware of the dispute between Eisenhower and Montgomery about the narrow thrust or broad advance after the Seine had been reached, "daddy expected his thin line to be decisively broken."

Thin front.

At various points there were "temporary signs of disintegration." His chief of staff asked: "Why did the Western allies not use this opportunity?"

"They had only to break through at the centre of gravity and the thin German front would have been wiped out. There was nothing to stop them. Rundstedt expected a mass attack of the Anglo-Americans in a sharp north-easterly direction over Aachen-Ruhr district on Berlin."

This was precisely Montgomery's proposal. To Rundstedt it was a miracle it did not happen.

VON RUNDSTEDT, by his Chief of Staff, Günther Blumentritt (Odhams Press, 10s.).

Sports Pool Grounds Now Available

The recreation areas at Happy Valley and King's Park allotted under the Pool Recreation Grounds Scheme are now ready for use, and applications for their allocation are invited by the Pool Grounds Allocation Committee. The Committee will endeavour to ensure that the grounds available are equitably allocated.

They comprise 10 pitches at Wong Nei Chong catering for association football, rugby football, hockey and cricket, and one association football pitch and one hockey pitch at King's Park, Kowloon. It is hoped the grounds will be ready for play on Sunday, September 28, and that, at a later date, facilities can also be arranged for miniature football.

The grounds are available for hire at a fee of \$12 for playing period of one and a half hours. All requests for allocations should be sent to the Secretary, Pool Grounds Allocation Committee, c/o Education Department, Leighton House.

Allocations will be of the following types:

(a) Seasonal, for which requests must be received by the Committee not later than September 20;

(b) Monthly, for which requests must be received by the Committee not later than the 21st day of the preceding month; and

(c) Casual, for which requests must be made at least 24 hours in advance.

PAYMENTS IN ADVANCE
Details of the method of payment will be made known later but all payments will be required in advance. Seasonal allocations will be paid for in monthly instalments. Should an allocated ground be ruled unplayable and no alternative pitch be available, fees will not be returned but another reservation will be offered in lieu.

The maintenance of the grounds is the responsibility of the Superintendent of Gardens, whose decision as to the state of a ground is final.

The Pool Recreation Grounds Scheme, it will be recalled, was devised some time ago by a special advisory committee of which Sir Arthur-Morse C.B.E., was the Chairman, the recommendations being that certain recreation areas at Happy Valley and King's Park should be pooled for the general use and convenience of public and private sports bodies.

Vic Towel Gets Ready For Carruthers

Johannesburg, Sept. 16. Vic Towel, the World Bantamweight Boxing Champion, began sparring today in preparation for his title fight with Jimmy Carruthers, the Australian Champion, in Johannesburg on October 4.

After going one round of shadow boxing, Towel sparred four fast rounds with two partners and wound up with one round on the heavy bag and one on the speedball.

Earlier he had a run of about three miles.

Maurice Towel, his brother and manager, said that he was well satisfied with Towel and would take him along easily at present as he was very fit. The fight was still three weeks off. —Reuter.

Major League Baseball

New York, Sept. 15. Results of baseball games played today were:

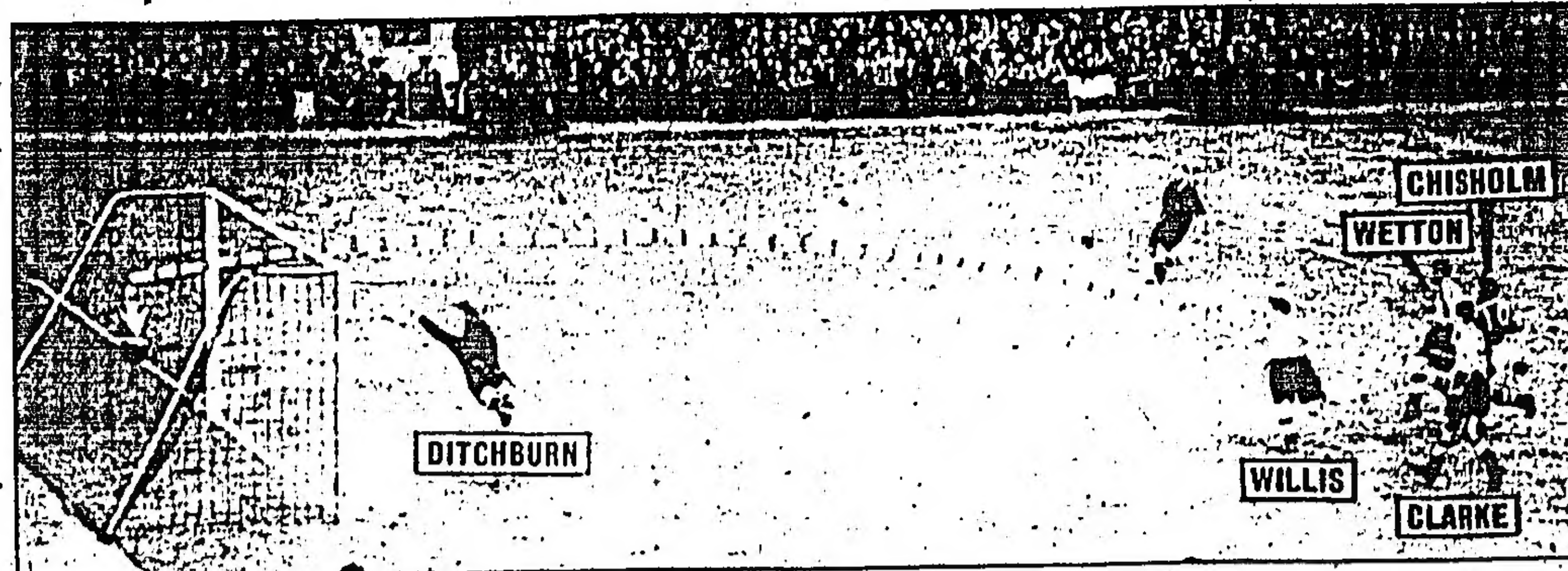
National League		American League	
St. Louis	12	Boston	2
New York	11	Chicago	2
Cincinnati	5	Washington	4
Brooklyn	11	Detroit	10
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Two More Qualify For Speedway Championship Final

London, Sept. 16. The Swedish rider, Dan Forsberg, and Alan Hunt, both of Birmingham, qualified for the final of the World Speedway Championship at Wembley on Sept. 18.

Both scored eight points each last week to qualify. Jack Young, riding for West Ham, is the favourite to retain his world title. —Reuter.

CARDIFF CITY'S FIRST AFTER 23 YEARS



This was how Cardiff City scored their first goal away from home in the First Division after an absence of 23 years. A quickly-taken free kick on the right led to Chisholm getting the ball.

Although hemmed in by three Tottenham defenders he got in a left-footed shot which beat Ditchburn all the way. It was a fine goal but Cardiff were beaten 2-1. — Express Photo.

TURPIN TO KEEP BOTH HIS TITLES

London, Sept. 16. Randolph Turpin, contender for world honours and the former World Middleweight Champion, can retain the Middle and Light-heavyweight Championships of Britain until ordered to relinquish one by the British Boxing Board of Control.

A boxer is not normally allowed to hold two titles at the same time but at present Turpin is in line for an Empire middleweight title and a world light-heavyweight title.

The stewards of the Board no doubt reached today's decision pending the situation being clarified, particularly concerning proposals for Turpin to have a world light-heavyweight title fight with Joey Maxim, the Champion.

They also realise that there are at the present time no outstanding contenders for either of his titles. —Reuter.

Canadian Wants To Fight Frank Johnson

London, Sept. 16. Solly Cantor, Canadian light-weight, who is now in Britain, has challenged Frank Johnson, British Champion, to a match over any distance at 136 lbs. for £500 stakes.

Johnson has accepted, and the side stakes of both boxers have been lodged with the British Board of Control.

Meanwhile Tommy Farr, former British Heavyweight Champion, who outpointed the American, Al Hoosman, at Cardiff last Wednesday night, said he hoped the Boxing Board of Control would now recognise his claims for a title fight with Johnny Williams, British champion.

Cantor said I think I have now proved myself a worthy challenger. —Reuter.

John Cobb's Speedboat May Be Ready By Friday For World Record Attempt

Inverness, Scotland, Sept. 16. Britain's 52-year-old speed ace, John Cobb, announced tonight that after "certain modifications" had been completed, his jet speed boat "Crusader" would be ready in a few days for an attempt to break the world water speed record on Loch Ness.

The boat is expected to be ready on Friday and for the first time time-keepers from the Motor Marine Association will be present to clock the runs over the measured mile.

During previous high speed trials on the Loch last week, when no official time-keepers were present, Cobb estimated that on two occasions he exceeded the existing world record of 178.4 miles per hour set last year by Stan Sayres of the United States.

A weakness on the forward planing structure caused the boat to be yanked out of the water last Saturday for an exhaustive examination. — United Press.

NEW METHOD OF ATTACK — RETREATING WINGERS

By TOM FINNEY

Preston North End, my home club, played Servette, a very attractive Swiss side, recently as part of the Guild Week which comes to our Lancashire town once every 20 years. We beat them 2-0 in a fine match. This was the first time that Preston folk were given the opportunity of studying the new Continental tactics—the style of play which made the Austrians headlines last season.

Most people found it fascinating. But the Swiss lads were, in turn, puzzled by some of our moves. One thing they found strange was our offside plan. Another gambit which they could not fathom was that followed by Angus Morrison, our left-winger, and myself dropping deep into our own half to collect passes from the full-backs or even the goalkeeper.

This retreating winger has, almost unnoticed, developed into one of the most important moves in English football during the last four or five seasons. It was operated first, I think, by Stan Matthews playing for England against Wales at Cardiff in 1947. At least that is where it first came into prominence.

MATTHEWS' TACTICS
Stan, as was natural, was being marked very closely by full-backs. His "escape" was to drop back and pick up short balls from our right-back, Laurie Scott. The effect was astounding. The Welsh defenders had absolutely no answer to these tactics. Ray Lambert, whose job it was to mark the incredible Stan, was nonplussed by this latest development. And I think any other full-back would have found it very difficult to follow the Blackpool winger right down to the

other end of the field. Matthews made so many openings in the first half that we were three goals up. It should have been many more but for some incredible saves and near goalmouth misses. Stan's genius set the fashion for many clubs. Jimmy Seed, shrewd northerner who has kept Charlton in the First Division on one of soccer's most modest budgets, soon followed the idea. Jimmy considers the retreating winger to be one of the most important tactical developments in the game. "If it is played properly, it cuts the full-back out completely," he says.

Tottenham Hotspur and Manchester United have also incorporated the principle into their brilliant team-work. At White Hart Lane, the guiding principle of manager Arthur Rowe is that the team which has the ball is on attack—even if it is the goalkeeper who is in possession.

As long as the ball is kept from the other side, it cannot be in Tottenham's net. So there it goes—a short throw from Ted Ditchburn to Alf Ramsey. "Sonny" Walters, lying well back in his own half, in each case the pass is a short one, cutting down the chance of an opponent intercepting.

Now the Swiss lads could not understand this. "Surely," said one, "if you drop right back down the field, you are one man less in attack." That view has been put forward by many English critics. They consider that it is simply another aspect of defensive football, an attempt to prevent the other side scoring goals rather than getting them yourself.

I am quite prepared to believe this is so in some cases. But not all. At Preston last year, Angus Morrison collected 12 goals from the left-wing. I was fortunate enough to score one more myself from the right.

NEW USE OF WINGERS
Tottenham's Rodley and Walters had 19 between them—which compares favourably even with the standards set up by such old-time "flers" as Fulme, Pat Beasley and Eric Brooke.

Frankly I am surprised that this new use of the wingers—regarded before the war as essentially attacking players in the same fashion as the centre-forward—has come into general use almost unnoticed. It is, I think, a tactical alteration almost as far-reaching as the Austrians' introduction of a roving centre-half—and perhaps far more difficult to counter.

Our two matches against Austria last season—one at Wembley, one in Vienna—demonstrated that the old English defensive system with a "cushy" full-back negated much of the pretty Austrian football after it reached the penalty area. But a winger starting a swift move in his own half of the field is a more difficult proposition.

As we play it at Preston, the inside-forward moves upfield if Angus or myself should drop back. Frequently he leaves the opposing wing-half behind him. The task of a full-back becomes very, very difficult once the winger gets hold of the ball. As Mr Seed says: "Next time you go on to the terraces, watch whether the outside man drops back when his side is defending. If he does, study this interesting new move."

Derby's Johnny Morris Asks For Transfer

Derby, Sept. 16. Johnny Morris, Derby County's International inside-right and captain, is to ask the club for a transfer.

—Morris said today: "Derby's style of play at the moment does not suit me and I will ask for a transfer."

After Morris had been rested from the side which met Wolverhampton Wanderers last Saturday, several clubs enquired whether he was available for transfer.

Derby's manager, Mr Stewart McMillan, stated today: "Morris has not approached us for a transfer and in any case the matter would have to come before the board."

Morris cost Derby over £24,000 in 1949 when they signed him from Manchester United. —Reuter.

Home Soccer Results

London, Sept. 15. Results of football matches played today were:

DIVISION III (North)		ULSTER CUP	
Rochdale	0	Southport	0
Tranmere	0	Bradford	0
Ballymena	4	Ciltionville	1
Linsfield	4	Bangor	1
Glantworth	4	Crusaders	1

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San Francisco Favoured For 1960 Games

San Francisco, Sept. 16. Mr Avery Brundage, President of the International and United States Olympic Committees, today gave San Francisco a strong recommendation as host city for the 1960 Olympic Games.

He said that "There would be no better place to hold the 1960 Games than in San Francisco." Mr Brundage said that 17 cities throughout the world had already put in applications for the 1960 Olympics, seven of which are in the United States.

Australia is scheduled to be the host to the 1956 Games. "California has always been a stalwart supporter of amateur sports," Mr Brundage said, "and no State has contributed anywhere near as many athletes as California to the Olympic Games."

The last Games in the United States were held in Los Angeles. —United Press.

Rugger Results

London, Sept. 15.	
Results of Rugby Union matches played today were:	
Paignton	9
Swansea	16
Penzance and Newlyn	6
Blackheath	5

—Reuter.

What Makes A Funny Man Funny?

Leslie Townes Hope, fifth son of a Kentish stone-mason... sometime car salesman, tap dancer, nigger minstrel, saxophonist, is back in London. In the two weeks he is officially on view 70,000 people will travel long distances, stand in long queues and pay anything up to 15s. per seat for an exhibition of scientific crackmanship that ranks with the world's best.

Bob Hope is top of the bill at the Palladium... with nose, chin, legend, memory and technique that have taken 20 years to perfect.

To watch Hope now is to watch a lesson in international humour—one hour's instruction in "What makes a funny man funny!"

HE'S A BIG MAN

He is a big man with a nose that he has carefully worked with a character of his own. It's bigger than it is right to be. It tapers down to where a nose ought to end—and then goes on to a circular tip that looks like an afterthought.

His chin comes up to meet the nose half-way. His eyes are wary. Wariness is a Hope characteristic. He comes on stage, cracks a joke, looks cautiously at the audience as though he's looking for the customers who don't laugh.

He is looking for the customers who do not laugh.

A lot of slighting stuff has been written about Hope's gag writers. Of course he employs writers. The only reason most English comedians do not is because they cannot afford to: Hope with £300,000 a year cannot afford not to.

They provide him with the raw material of most—not all—of his gags. The gags come to him like unglazed pottery. He puts on a nice shine. You can call the shine his "delivery."

A Hope gag is always a wisecrack and the wisecrack is an American invention. Ideally you should be able to crack it in one breath of about 10 words or fewer. And Hope's wisecracks always come in three layers.

"I came over on the United States which cost \$1,000,000 dollars—a little something we had left over after Mr Churchill's last visit," he says. "That's funny and it gets a laugh. 'You've got to hand it to Mr Churchill,' he goes on. 'That's not very funny but they laugh just the same. The 10 percent of the audience which gets the double meaning helps the joke along.'"

He looks shrewdly at the audience and caps his joke. "If you don't," he says, "he'll take it."

It is instructive to listen to a Hope audience. The laughs come in waves. Laugh—silence—laugh—silence. Not many of the jokes are the kind that tell you in the aisles. None is "blue." Wisecracks rarely are.

You can laugh, enjoy—then hush! You have to hear what's coming next. It's bound to be important.

But Hope can do better than this. He can, if he wishes, make a funny joke unfunny—deliberately... just by under-delivering it.

THE BACON RASHER

He tells a story about a man who went to a psychiatrist. He had a rather of bacon over each ear... three eggs on top of his head. "What's the matter with you?" said the psychiatrist. "Oh, it's not me," said the man. "I've come to see you about my brother."

Now I think that's funny, but audiences are never as quick en masse as they are individually, and if the joke is delivered deadpan it never gets a big laugh.

Hope publicly apologises for a bad joke and goes on to tell two more. Then he returns to the man with rashers on his ears. This time it gets a small laugh. During the course of the next fourteen jokes he makes eight references to the rashers. By this time it has become a big joke and everybody is laughing. And that is artistry.

It is something like the family joke—the joke about the day Uncle Bill fell in the water-butt. You've heard it 100 times—and every time it is told it becomes funnier.

And then there's the legend... the Crosby-Hope-Dorothy Lamour legend built up by all concerned ever since this team became a big comedy combination.

Crosby makes jokes about Hope. Hope makes jokes about Crosby—about his singing, his money, his children. ("He has his son Garry standing by when he sings in case there's a power cut.")

Audiences like to feel "in the know." Hope keeps them in the legend with him.

Then memory. Hope's mental filing system has at the moment sufficient jokes to last two hours. After that it becomes difficult and he has to think. A lot of the jokes won't be brand new... but like Uncle Bill and the water-butt some jokes get better with age.

Add to this his inherent sense of timing—the attuned ear which can tell at which point in a joke the laughter starts (in other words: how quick you catch on)—and the bland look of Hopeful surprise that can win a laugh with a wild wordless surmise... and you've got... what?

HE'S SERIOUS, REALLY

Something that some people call a joke machine, meaning his humour is more calculated than natural, more premeditated than spontaneous, more from the mind than the heart. But still a great comedian.

Offstage, by the way, Hope, like Danny Kaye, is a serious-minded man. Being funny is no laughing matter.

—WALTER HAYES.

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Scheduled Sailings from Europe		
Sails	Arrives	
"PYRRHUS" Liverpool	10th Aug.	Hong Kong
"ATREUS" do	23rd Sept.	1st Oct.
"BELLEROPHON" do	10th Oct.	18th Oct.
"PELEUS" do	10th Sept.	24th Oct.
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NOTICE is hereby given that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Members of the Company will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, 701/7 Edinburgh House, Hong Kong, on Thursday, 18th September, 1952 at 10 a.m. for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, passing the following Special Resolution:—

That the new Articles of Association, a copy of which has been produced to the Meeting and signed for identification purposes by Frederick John Horman-Fisher, Director of the Company, be adopted as the Articles of Association of the Company in substitution for and to the exclusion of all existing Articles of Association of the Company.

A copy of the Proposed new Articles can be inspected by any Shareholder at the Registered Office of the Company during usual office hours.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
WHELOCK MARDEN & COMPANY, LIMITED.
Secretaries and General Managers.
Hongkong, 26th Aug., 1952.

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NOTICE is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, 701/7 Edinburgh House, Hong Kong, on Thursday, 18th September, 1952 at 10.30 a.m. for the following purposes:

1. To receive and consider the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1951.
2. To declare a dividend.
3. To elect Directors.
4. To appoint Auditors.
5. To transact any other ordinary business of the Company.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 9th September to the 18th September, 1952, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
WHELOCK MARDEN & COMPANY, LIMITED.
Secretaries and General Managers.
Hongkong, 26th Aug., 1952.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Interim Dividend in respect of the year 1952 of 70 cents per share, free of tax, has been declared payable on and after 17th September, 1952.

Applications for Dividend Warrants should be made either personally or by letter to the Registered Office of the Company, P. & O. Building, 4th Floor.

The Register of Members of the Company will be closed from the 3rd day of September 1952 to the 17th day of September 1952, both days inclusive.

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To comply with the General Board of Warehouse Regulations, consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable goods are examined.

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SEA FURIES HUNT MIG JETS

London, Sept. 16.
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"The boys are out to get them," he said.

Reporting at the Admiralty, after being down home from Korea, Lieut. Carmichael told how the air battle began at dawn on August 9.

"Four of us, flying Sea Furies, were patrolling at 3,500ft. near Chinnampo on a spot of railway-breaking when my No. 2 called up: 'We've got a MIG—coming in.' One came at me head-on. I saw his heavy tracer shells coming over. I fired a burst. Then he flashed past.

"I turned and looked over my shoulder. There was an aircraft going into the deck. I thought it was my No. 2. I called up 'Tell-off' and they all came back. I said: 'Wizard—a MIG'."

When the patrol landed on their carrier, the Ocean, Lieut. Carmichael was told that he was the first pilot to shoot down a jet fighter—while flying in a piston-engined aircraft—200-m.p.h. slower than the enemy. He was given a bottle of champagne—but we had to hold up the party till we finished that operational spell."

Lieut. Carmichael admitted the MIG-15 "a beautiful thing to see—but thought enemy air tactics bad.

And now Lieut. Carmichael, 29-year-old veteran of 75 sorties over Korea, is to lecture on air fighting at the R.N. Fighter School at Culdroe, Cornwall.



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FROM	DUE
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"BENCLEUCH" Kure, Kobe and Yokohama.	24th Sept.
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The Rubber Markets

Singapore, Sept. 16.
Prices of rubber futures closed today as follows:—

Number 1 rubber, per lb.	75 1/2-76
October	75 1/2-76
November	75 1/2-76
December	75 1/2-76
Number 2 rubber, October	69 1/2-70
Number 3 rubber	62 1/2-63 1/2
Spot rubber, unbleached	61-62
Blanket crepe	61-62
No. 1 pale crepe	61-62

NEW YORK MARKET

New York, Sept. 16.
Prices of rubber futures closed today 65 to 80 points higher with sales totalling 24 contracts. Outside market firmness attracted some dealer interest but the market was generally dull. Prices closed today as follows:—

October	27.00 nominal
November	26.80
December	26.80
January (1953)	26.40 nominal
February	26.12 nominal
March	25.75 asked
April	25.60 nominal
May	25.60 nominal
June	25.30 nominal
July	25.30
August	25.30
September	25.30
October	25.30
November	25.30
December	25.30
Spot	25.75

LONDON MARKET

London, Sept. 16.
Prices of rubber futures closed today as follows:—
Number 1 rubber, in penne per lb.
October 22 1/2-23
November 22 1/2-23
December 22 1/2-23
January 22 1/2-23
February 22 1/2-23
March 22 1/2-23
April 22 1/2-23
May 22 1/2-23
June 22 1/2-23
July 22 1/2-23
August 22 1/2-23
September 22 1/2-23
October 22 1/2-23
November 22 1/2-23
December 22 1/2-23
Spot 22 1/2-23

The topic to be discussed will be "Financing Re-Armament." Reports on this topic from 12 countries will be distributed in advance and discussed at the conference.

The report on United States rearmament financing has been written by Dr. Roy Blough, until recently a member of President Truman's Council of Economic Advisors, and now Director of Economic Affairs for the United Nations.

Professor Shoup, who has been teaching at Columbia since 1928 and is a public finance specialist, was elected president of the Institute in 1950 for a three-year term. He succeeded Max Leo Gerard, former Finance Minister of Belgium.

Although without official government standing either in this country or abroad, the Institute of Public Finance has a consultative status with the United Nations Economic and Social Council.

Professor Shoup has attended several meetings of the Economic and Social Council and the Fiscal Commission of the U.N. as a representative of the Institute.

The organization, which supports its activities by membership dues, suspended yearly meetings during World War II. Since then it has met in The Hague, Rome, Monaco, Basel and London. The London conference last year discussed "Financing Under-Developed Countries."

The papers and discussions at each conference have subsequently been published. Associated Press.

TEXTILES CONFERENCE
World Cotton Experts Meeting In London

Empire Finance Talks

Preliminary Steps In London

London, Sept. 16.
Commonwealth officials will make a general review of the Sterling Area's finances when they meet here on Monday to prepare for next month's Commonwealth Prime Ministers' Conference in London.

Delegates from Britain, India, Pakistan, Ceylon, Australia, Canada, New Zealand, Southern Rhodesia and South Africa will attend the private preparatory talks which are expected to last for about three weeks.

Their purpose is to outline an agenda for the Prime Ministers' conference opening on November 27.

Problems to be examined by the officials will probably include:

1. A general review of the Sterling Area, of which Britain is the banker, since the Commonwealth Finance Ministers' conference here in January.
2. The Sterling Area's gold and dollar reserves.
3. The balance of payments position in the Sterling Area as a whole and also in member countries individually.

Contrary to Press reports have the agenda of the Prime Ministers' Conference has not been finally settled.

Subjects to be discussed at the officials and Ministerial meetings have been under consideration by the various Commonwealth nations. Several, including Canada, have made suggestions.

The Treasury has denied Press reports that the British Government plans to send a British Minister or Ministers to Washington after the November conference to discuss long-term problems of the Sterling Area and the part the United States might play in solving them.

The conference's main problems lie purely inside the Commonwealth and American co-operation is in no way involved.

When this aspect of the conference's work has been completed the Ministers may themselves feel that close consultation with the United States would be helpful. But it cannot now be presumed that they will make such a decision.

All the Commonwealth Prime Ministers, except Mr. Nehru, of India and Dr. Daniel Malan of South Africa, will attend the November talks.

The Indian and the South African Premiers will be represented as will some of the Colonies.

The Queen will give a dinner party at Buckingham Palace on December 3 for the visiting Commonwealth Ministers and their wives.

Staffs of the conference delegations will attend a party at the Palace the following day.

The Pakistan High Commissioner announced here today that the Dominion would send six delegates to the officials' deliberations.

They are officials of the Finance and Economic Affairs Ministries and the State Bank of Pakistan.—Reuter.

Recovery In Wall St.

New York, Sept. 16.
Railroads and high-price oil led a general recovery movement on the Stock Exchange, with trading increasing in volume.

Carriers and oil stocks gained ranged to over a point with a number of pivots showing wider improvements.

The market opened firm and continued this trend at the close with the improvement attributed by traders to technical reasons mostly.

Dealings totalled 1,140,000 shares. Of 1,693 issues traded, 473 advanced, 352 declined and 270 were unchanged.

Chemicals were higher ranging over 3 points.

Dow Jones averages at the end of the session stood as follows:—
30 Industrials 269.03
20 rails 96.06
40 utilities 49.43
16 utilities 98.50
40 bonds 123 1/2

—United Press.

Vital Problems Facing The Industry In Britain

(From RONALD BOXALL)

London, Sept. 16.

Despite newspaper reports that the international conference on cotton textiles will resolve itself into an attempt to share out world trade by a division of markets among the chief countries, the Cotton Board, which called the conference, denies that any restrictive plan will be put forward by the British delegation.

The Japanese delegation, however, appears to be unimpressed by this denial.

To anybody who has tried to contact them since their arrival in this country the Japanese textile industrialists give the impression of men who have been invited into the lion's den and are not quite sure of the lion's intentions.

The intention, however, is clear enough. It is, in the words of Sir Raymond Street, Chairman of the Cotton Board, "to find out how best to foster growth and stable prosperity in the cotton trade and to escape a reputation of the exporters of the inter-war years without exporting or wishing to eradicate healthy rivalry."

Sir Raymond has been criticised for inviting the Japanese to the conference.

"I believe," he has replied, "the Japanese have a contribution to make to such a conference and that we should see what that contribution is. Not to do so would be to fail in wisdom as well as in courtesy."

That is the view of the man who will lead the British delegation to the conference.

But it would be a mistake to assume that all members of the British cotton industry share Sir Raymond's tolerant attitude.

UNFAIR PRACTICES
Lancashire folk are famous for their love of an argument. But on a subject which they are all agreed—they do not wish to see a reputation of the pre-war variety of cut-throat competition that put so many of their work-mates on the dole during the inter-war years.

To them Japan is synonymous with unfair competition and, rightly or wrongly, they will hold that view until they see evidence to the contrary.

It has been said that the conference will meet in a more optimistic climate than seemed possible a few months ago. The worst of the recession which hit Lancashire so hard is over.

But another vital problem has arisen for the British industry. Last week it was announced that for the first time since the beginning of the war Japan exported in the six months period up to June more cotton textiles to Commonwealth markets than the British cotton industry.

And this fact received wide publicity.

DIRECT THREAT
To many people in Lancashire this is a direct threat to the industry's well-being. With so many of its pre-war markets now vastly reduced, Lancashire has become very Empire-minded. It has continuously stressed the importance of keeping the Commonwealth markets to itself.

To this end it has urged the Government to keep Japan out of the General Agreement on Trade and Tariffs, or, failing that, to get out itself.

They therefore regard the expansion of Japanese exports to the Commonwealth markets as a danger signal.

It is not enough for some members of the British industry that many Commonwealth markets have closed their doors against Japanese cotton goods. They want them to stay closed.

Then, then, is the attitude of a large section of British cotton men on both sides of the industry. It is the key to the position the British delegation will have to adopt at tomorrow's conference.

ANOTHER SIDE
But there is another side to the question.

Britain may want to keep the Commonwealth—and particularly the Colonial—markets to itself. But do the importing countries want it too?

The British Dominions and many of the Colonies are free to act as they please in trade matters. Britain can influence but not dictate to them.

Even if it wanted to do so the British cotton industry could not propose a division of markets. And there is no evidence to show that it is thinking along these lines.

What it does want is an extension of the system of Imperial Preference. But at present that way out is barred to it by the obligations Britain has adopted as a member of the General Agreement on Trade and Tariffs.

LIES ELSEWHERE
Solution to the cotton industry's problem lies elsewhere. There are limitations to what they can do by themselves.

They could, for instance, restrict production to what they think the world markets can absorb. But that would not be in line with the purpose of the conference, which is to expand world trade in cotton textiles.

The conference will not have failed, however, if it succeeds in clearing the barrier of mutual distrust that now separates the two chief participants and creates a friendly atmosphere for further discussions.

In any case, action along any of the lines discussed above would require a more representative gathering of the industry's concerned.

The importance of the conference may not, therefore, emerge until long after it has ended. By then the various governments involved in the respective national delegations and decided what action they can take to put them into effect.—London Express Service.

Exchange Rates
Business was done in the local unofficial exchange market this morning at the following rates:—
Dollars (per £1) 4.25
Sterling note (per £1) 13.75
Indian rupees (per 100) 24.50
Indonesian guilders (per 100) 34.50
Siam baht (per 100) 31.50
Singapore (Straits) 11.15
FIC piasters (per 100) 11.15

—United Press.

Tokyo-Taipei Trade Talks

Taipei, Sept. 16.

The English-language China News today reported that unofficial negotiations for a US\$150,000,000 trade pact between Japan and the Nationalists are nearing completion in Tokyo.

The only question to be solved is transportation and shipping problems, with the Chinese insisting on the privilege that Chinese freighters carry the cargoes, while the Japanese want free choice of flag.

The paper added that if the negotiations are finally concluded, trade between the two countries will have been doubled.—France-Press.

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DON'T have a THIRST... have a WATSON'S

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JOHN CLARKE'S CASEBOOK A Gift Of Alms

YOU had but to look at Tom, hunched in the dock, to call up a scene half a world away from Bow Street.

You looked at him, and the mouse-grey walls of the newly painted courtroom seemed to melt away; and in their place arose the crumbling gateway to some eastern city. There, squatting in the dust, you might meet Tom's double, a gaunt, wizened man, aged as the desert sands beyond the township's wall, a bundle of rags, croaking mechanically for alms.

"Alms, for the love of Allah, alms, for the love of Allah, alms," and travellers going on their way, merchants, pilgrims, local sheikhs, might throw him some small piece of money, for a kind of hollowness surrounds beggars in such places, and a small gift of alms is reckoned a form of insurance against oneself being begged.

YES, Tom, with his dark skin and deep-lined face, his thrusting, tangled beard, and his utter resignation, would have fitted very well into such a picture.

But his pitch was nearer home, in Parliament Square. There, he leaned on a low wall, and held out a skinny brown arm and asked passers-by for the price of a smoke; and to point his demand, he clutched in his claw-like hand a battered packet of cigarette-papers.

A policeman came up who, if he considered beggars as holy men, did not allow his convictions to interfere with his duty. He arrested Tom, and brought him to Bow Street, and told the story, which Tom did not deny, to Mr R. H. Blundell.

MR Blundell looked at Tom in the dock and asked, the officer: "How was he dressed when you arrested him?"

"As he is now, sir," the policeman answered; and the magistrate looked again in evident wonder at Tom's rig, an overcoat of great age, and beneath that layer upon layer of tattered serge and flannel and tweed. It was as if, long ago, he had inherited one half of a rug - and - bone man's business and wore the whole of his inheritance.

"What do you want to say?" the magistrate asked Tom.

"Nothing," Tom said, resignedly. "He is 60 years old and has 63 previous convictions," said the officer in charge of the case. "At the County of London Sessions in May of this year, he was sentenced to three months' imprisonment as an incorrigible rogue."

"When was he released?" the magistrate asked.

"Two or three weeks ago," the officer said. "I haven't the exact date."

THE magistrate turned to Tom: "In my opinion," he said, "you should be sent to London Sessions for sentence as an incorrigible rogue."

And when certain formalities had been carried out, that was the course the magistrate took.

Tom shuffled off, but did not seem much put out by the way things had gone, not at all awed by having twice been declared incorrigible.

AS he left, a tall young American named Dennis Cameron, who had been sitting at the back of the court, watched him go. "Interesting, that guy begging money for a smoke," he observed. Mr Cameron lives in Fairbanks, Alaska. "Up there," he said, "beggars ask you for the price of a steak, and a steak costs four dollars. (30s.) in Fairbanks."

I wished Tom had been around to hear. For he might do worse, when he has paid the price of his double in incorrigibility, than head north and west and keep going for 6,000 miles or so, till he hits Fairbanks. They may not regard beggars as holy men there, but for such as Tom, the place clearly has its attractions.

INTELLIGENCE TEST SOLUTION
"Die is pure" is an anagram of Euripides' "Ion" by Aristophanes.

Market Closed To Japan

(From Our Own Correspondent)

London, Sept. 16. A big Empire market for Japan's under-priced textiles is to be closed until July next year.

For the six-month ban imposed in Kenya and Uganda last July has been extended another six months. It is announced by Mr Richard Barrow, Chairman of the Manchester Chamber of Commerce.

The Kenya-Uganda ban was imposed after an early 1952 flood of Japanese imports. In the first three months of the year Japan landed 10,100,000 yards of cotton cloth in the territories; Lancashire sent only 9,507,000 yards in seven months.

After the preliminary ban Lancashire's East African trade slipped to 2,000,000 yards in July alone.

Mr Barrow said: "Lancashire's prices have now been brought nearer to those of Japan though the Japanese, with low labour costs, can still go on cutting."

"If Lancashire does not keep prices down there, will be pressure in Kenya and Uganda to lift the ban."

Kenya, Uganda and Tanganyika have also banned imports of all non-British made Commonwealth souvenirs - "to preserve the domestic character of the Commonwealth celebrations."

Ancient Barnstaple Custom

Barnstaple, Sept. 16.

Barnstaple's Town Beadle will lock himself in a paneled room at the Guildhall this evening and brew 4½ gallons of spiced ale according to a 500-year-old secret recipe.

The drinking of this ale and the displaying of a large glove of welcome from the hall will tomorrow mark the traditional opening of England's oldest Fair dating back 1,000 years.

So that the well-guarded secret of the brew does not leak out, the Beadle, 57-year-old Fred Ackland, has quietly visited various shops in the town buying herbs and spices. The many ingredients required, which are listed on a parchment, which is kept under lock and key.

The recipe has been handed down from senior beadle to senior beadle for centuries. His predecessor passed it to him when he was over 80.

In the secret brewing in the Guildhall takes about 2½ hours, but for a week afterwards the very pleasant odour clings about the place, the Beadle said today.

Each guest receives a piece of bread and a cupful of the ale in which to drink success to the Fair. The remaining liquor is handed in massive silver cups to the waiting public, who have the right to claim free sips while any is left. - Reuter.

Marble Angel Tombstone Refused

London, Sept. 16.

The parents of nine-year-old Kathleen Reese were today refused permission to erect a marble angel on her grave because "you don't become an angel when you die."

Mr and Mrs Ernest Reese were told this by the Chichester diocesan legal authorities to whom they appealed after the local vicar had turned down their request.

The diocesan chancellor, Mr K. M. McMoran, said: "If this form of memorial is intended to represent the child in that higher life, into which she has passed, it is hopelessly wrong and wrong in the eyes of the Church."

"The one thing you don't become when you die is an angel."

The memorial, he added, would be in keeping with other graves nearby. - Reuter.

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"About the only person on the beach all day that I'd like to see start drowning!"

Infantry Will Still Win Wars—Bradley

Paris, Sept. 16.

General Omar Bradley, Chairman of the United States Joint Chiefs of Staff, warned the West today that the infantry still win wars - and "the greatest atomic power on earth" cannot stop determined men.

He was warning against wishful thinking that because the West has atomic weapons it can afford not to worry about keeping up with training programmes.

No matter how many atomic weapons, General Bradley said, "there will always be a need for sufficient ground strength to force the enemy to concentrate for attack."

He said the effect of atomic weapons on Western defence plans was one important topic he had discussed during his visit here.

"Speculation concerning the effect of atomic weapons on the defence of Europe has led to some international wishful thinking in regard to NATO requirements that we, the United States Chiefs of Staff, believe, could be misleading and dangerous."

"Optimistic estimates concerning the availability and effect of atomic weapons could mislead some nations into thinking that not all of the NATO forces planned for 1952-54 need be provided and trained."

"The forces presently scheduled for NATO are essential to collective defence even with optimistic estimates of the future capabilities of atomic weapons."

PRIMARY PURPOSE
Bradley said the buildup of NATO forces was primarily designed to halt aggression. These forces could not provide military strength to "launch a counter-offensive or to win a possible war," he added.

"This would call for a much more extensive mobilisation. Atomic weapons are in various stages of development and each kind would be available in a different quantity for use in the event of war. Therefore, it would be premature for any planners to attempt to substitute atomic weapons for some balanced forces."

"No matter how many atomic weapons or bombs the collective NATO defence may have, on hand there will always be a need for sufficient ground strength to force the enemy to concentrate for attack."

He said General Ridgway and some American members of his staff had access to restricted data on atomic energy capabilities.

He said it was hoped that the American Atomic Energy Law, which restricts such information to specially cleared American citizens, would eventually be changed.

Asked whether German rearmament was as necessary now as when first mentioned two years ago, Bradley said the Chiefs of Staff thought so. The United States did not see why Germany should not contribute to Western preparations for her defence.

Asked if Spain would be a useful recruit to NATO defence, he said it was largely a political question. "From the military standpoint, I believe Spain could contribute to

European defence if we could solve the other questions," - Reuter.

MAIL VAN ROBBERY SEQUEL
London, Sept. 16. Two men were sent for trial in London today on charges of receiving £4,000 alleged to be part of £250,000 stolen in the big mail van holdup in London's West End in May.

Both men - Edward Noble, 42, and Robert Kingsford, 36 - had pleaded not guilty.

A bank clerk said in evidence that Noble, a car dealer, had paid in £4,000 in June, mostly in old and dirty pound notes.

The money, stolen from the mail van, was in notes being sent from branch banks to London for scrapping as unserviceable.

The police alleged that Noble said he changed the money for Kingsford, another motor dealer, who had offered him £50 to do it. - Reuter.

Monastery Turned Into Restaurant Alleges Counsel

MONK DESCRIBED AS MODERN RASPUTIN

Allegations that the Sai Lam Monastery at Shatin had been transformed into a restaurant where people could eat, drink and be merry regardless of the sanctity of their surroundings, were made by Mr Brook A. Bernacchi, Counsel for the plaintiff, when an action started before Mr Justice Reece, Puisne Judge, at the Supreme Court this morning.

Parties involved in the action are a Buddhist nun, three widowed lay ladies, and a Buddhist monk.

In the course of his opening remarks, Mr Bernacchi said that the adventures of the monk one could only consider as being something similar to a present day Rasputin.

First plaintiff is Wong Wing-ming, alias Wong Yu-kin, a nun, and the second, third and fourth plaintiffs are Lo Wong Yuk-ming, Chung Chu-ze and Chiu Wing. Wong wore her religious apparel.

All plaintiffs are represented by Mr Bernacchi, instructed by Mr Peter H. Sin.

Defendant is Wong Ching, alias Leung Chi-hung, alias Leung Ki, and he is represented by Mr S. V. Gittins, on the instructions of Mr G. S. Ford.

The nun asked for a declaration that she was beneficially entitled to the Sai Lam Monastery and the other three plaintiffs similarly claimed a share of the rights. They also sought declaration that the defendant had never put any money into the Monastery and was not entitled to the property; and they claimed damages, costs and any other relief which the Court may see fit to grant.

The defence was a complete denial of all the allegations and defendant claimed that he was founder of the monastery.

EXTRAORDINARY CASE
Opening the case, Mr Bernacchi commenced with the remarks: "This is an extraordinary case."

Mr Justice Reece: "So it seems."

Mr Bernacchi: Of course my clients and their witnesses, all ladies, may be coming here to tell a complete pack of lies....

His Lordship (smilingly): Just a minute, I will make a note of that.

Mr Bernacchi went on: "If their story is true, it is a story of a monk whose adventures one can only consider as being something similar to a present day Rasputin; a story of seduction."

His Lordship: I did not know that that sort of thing was allowed in monasteries!

Counsel: Certainly not, my Lord, but I am going to say that the defendant's conduct is such as to make this monastery a place of complete disrepute; seduction, as I have said, and now indeed fraud; a deliberate attempt to oust these ladies - one of whom will frankly tell you that she has been his mistress - from their rights."

RELATIONS STRAINED
After the war, the defendant returned but relations with the first plaintiff became more and more strained. He then adopted the attitude that she was merely managers of the Sai Lam Monastery and purported to displace her. Following upon trouble with the District Office and the SCA, the defendant purported to rescind the order but later he completely excluded her from the premises.

The second, third and fourth plaintiffs came in as persons who took up shares under this arrangement.

Mr Bernacchi said that all went well until the Pacific War. During the Japanese occupation of the Colony, the defendant left the monastery entirely, and, according to plaintiffs' case, left to more advantageous work with the Japanese.

LIVED TOGETHER
Mr Bernacchi said that the story started back in 1927 when the first plaintiff was a young secondary wife. Her husband had gone to Sandakan and as a young girl of 23 she met the defendant who was a monk and after starting by interesting her in the tenets of his religion, thereafter interested her in a rather more personal way. They lived together for a number of years.

The woman had a certain amount of money and had two children by him.

In the course of time, said Counsel, she came to put up money for the purpose of purchasing some land at Shatin on which to build a monastery.

"The story becomes more involved," went on Mr Bernacchi, "not content with my client, the defendant took unto himself another mistress and yet again another one of the young nuns who came to stay there."

His Lordship: Seems to have been a bode of religion and a bode of love.

Mr Bernacchi: My client at this time was not a nun. She entered the order some time later and she will tell your Lordship that after that she ceased to live with the defendant. Rather conversely,

nun with whom he was then living, left the order but is nevertheless still living at the monastery together with another lady.

SHARES OFFERED
Counsel continued that in the course of time it was decided to pull down the original wooden building and to erect a substantial building of stone for which certain sums of money were needed.

"In consequence both the first plaintiff and the defendant set about raising money on a basis which was really quite well known to these parties, namely by what is known as offering shares in the monastic building," said Counsel. "The essence of a share is that a certain specified room in the monastery to be built will be allocated to the person putting up the money together with the right to be fed by the monastery for life, to receive a coffin on death and to receive all due funeral rites."

"This is a particular attraction to middle-aged women who thereby ensure themselves a place of retirement in the perpetual atmosphere of their religion."

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TRIPPERS' RESORT
"It is my case," declared Mr Bernacchi, "that this monastery has been turned into a trippers' resort where they can eat, drink and be merry, regardless of the sanctity of their surroundings."

Counsel then turned to the statement of claim which declared that the first plaintiff was the founder of the building, had paid \$3,500 for purchase of the land and another \$5,000 to extend the premises. Second plaintiff, declared, she had bought shares worth \$2,000 and had been allotted a room next to the Goddess of Mercy shrine. Third plaintiff claimed purchase of \$1,000 of shares and fourth plaintiff \$500.

Living Language

Why we say Craven.

This word is a direct offshoot of "to crave" which means to beg or plead for. In the Middle Ages a dispute was often decided by single combat and the man who was getting the worst of it used to cry "Craven!" meaning that he craved for mercy, when his opponent would give up. Thus a craven came in time to mean a coward.

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Malaya, Indonesia, Australia, New Zealand, 4.30 p.m., C.P.A.
Siam, E. India, W. Pakistan, Middle East, Africa, Great Britain, Europe, 5 p.m., B.O.A.C.
Japan, Korea, 4.30 p.m., B.O.A.C.
Formosa, Okinawa, New York, Canada, 4.30 p.m., I.L.K.A./N.W.A.L.
India-China (Fonkin only), 4.30 p.m., C.P.A.

By Surface

Macao, 1.30 p.m.; 6 p.m., as Lee Hong/Tak Shing.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

By Air

Philippines, Guam, Hawaii, San Francisco, noon, via P.A.A.
Indo-China, France, French North & West Africa, 4.30 p.m., Air Vietnam.
Philippines, N. Borneo, 4.30 p.m., C.P.A.
Siam, E. & W. Pakistan, Middle East, Africa, Great Britain, Europe, 4.30 p.m., B.O.A.C.

By Surface

Macao, 1.30 p.m.; 6 p.m., as Lee Hong/Tak Shing.

China, Peoples Republic, 9.30 a.m., train via Canton.

Philippines, 1 p.m., as Pres. Monroe.

E. & S. Africa, 2 p.m., as Tjimon.

Korea, 1 p.m., as Hydrolock.

Rabaul, 10 a.m., as Kallistoon.

By Air

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

By Air

Japan, Canada, U.S.A., 9 a.m., via C.P.A.L.

Formosa, Okinawa, Japan, Seattle, Canada, 4.30 p.m., H.K.A./N.W.A.L.

Siam, Burma, E. India, W. Pakistan, Middle East, Africa, Great Britain, Europe, 4.30 p.m., B.O.A.C.

Malaya, Indonesia, Ceylon, W. India, N. Borneo, Australia, New Zealand, 4.30 p.m., Q.E.A.

By Surface

Japan, noon, as Pyrrhus.

Macao, 1.30 p.m.; 6 p.m., as Lee Hong/Tak Shing.

China, Peoples Republic, 9.30 a.m., train via Canton.

Philippines, 1 p.m., as Japan.

Siam, 2 p.m., as Mantara Maru.

Korea, 2 p.m., as Molly.

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